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The purposes of the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society are: to collect and disseminate information about horticulture; to inspire a taste for horticultural knowledge; and to make that knowledge available to as many people as possible.



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The Philadelphia Flower Show

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The president of the Council and the executive director serve *ex-officio* on all committees.

Carol Sclafani, Junior Show manager, stages hanging baskets with Andy Robinson, a volunteer.





PRESIDENT'S REPORT

In response to a survey, some of our members have raised questions regarding the purpose of the Society's annual reports.

Essentially, these reports are intended to be both a historical record of the Society's achievements and activities and a report to you, our members, regarding the work and general condition of your Society. To the degree that they provide information of a vital and growing institution they are relevant. To the degree that they provide valuable insights as to the manner by which the Society serves its members and various other publics they are useful.

Those who read these reports will recognize that your Society continues to build on a solid foundation with imagination, verve, and, indeed, eclat. It is able to do so only because of the degree of attention it gives to the quality and dedication of its large number of volunteers and its superb professional staff.

When one thinks of the time, talent, and energy required to produce a great Flower Show, the *Green Scene*, Philadelphia Green, a



Harvest Show – all while operating an exceptional library and membership programs – one can conclude that your Society is healthy indeed.

We will remain so with your understanding, participation, and support.

Henry H. Reichner, Jr.



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

There's hardly a day at the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society when the seed of a new activity isn't germinating or a fresh program coming into full flower. One day the idea will come from a volunteer committee; the next will sprout in a staff discussion. Working together, staff and volunteers produce the energy that drives one of the nation's healthiest horticultural societies.

The success of our Flower Show continues to attract exhibits of the highest quality as well as recognition from local, national and international visitors. Three organizations, seeking to establish flower shows in other American cities, have, during the past year, approached the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society.

In the community gardening field we are also leaders and PHS members continue to demonstrate their pride in the accomplishments of Philadelphia Green gardeners not only with financial contributions but also by serving as judges and committee members for our community outreach programs. Foundations, corporations and the City of Philadelphia's Office of Housing and Community Development continue to show enthusiastic support for these ever-widening horticultural avenues.

Both PHS members and the public continue to use our Library and horticultural information service, and the W. Atlee Burpee Company's gift of competing seed companies' catalogs will greatly expand the Society's collection as well as allowing us to make valuable resources available to horticultural libraries throughout the nation.

Enthusiasm, excitement and an adventurous spirit pervade the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, and I am proud and happy to be a part of this era in the Society's history.

Jane G. Pepper
Jane G. Pepper

LIBRARY



The Library's collection of old seed and nursery catalogs of the Delaware Valley doubled this year with a gift from the W. Atlee Burpee Company of the company's competitors' catalogs dating from 1881-1940. Eleven Library committee volunteers, guided by Frances Barnett, sorted and listed thousands of catalogs. Catalogs that do not relate to our geographical area have been distributed, by agreement with the Burpee Company, to institutional members of the Council of Botani-

cal and Horticultural Libraries all over the U.S. and in Canada.

The family of Frances Osgood Grant has given to the PHS Library her first edition copies of Catesby's *Natural History of Carolina, Florida and The Bahamas*, London 1731-43 and the prints that make up the appendix. Handsome cases, designed to place these two volumes on permanent display in the PHS board room, have also been donated by the family and friends of Frances Osgood Grant.



**Major Contributors
(books or services)**

M. M. Brubaker
W. Atlee Burpee Company
F. Gordon Foster
Francis T. Grant
Kitty Lapp
Gordon M. Marshall
Elisabeth Woodburn

In November Julie Morris of Newport, RI, spoke to Friends of the Library about "Philadelphia Gardens in the Gilded Age, 1890-1930,"

using hand-painted glass slides to illustrate her lecture. To celebrate the William Darlington Bicentennial, Dr. William R. Overlease of West Chester State College described changes in the flora of Chester County for Friends of the Library. For this occasion Kitty Lapp and Toni Brinton mounted an exhibit of Darlington's books from the PHS Pennsylvania Collection and herbarium specimens loaned by West Chester State College. Donations to the Friends of the Library totalling

continued



Library Committee volunteers sorting the Burpee Company's gift of 4,000 competitor catalogs for distribution to 21 horticultural libraries in the U.S. and Canada.

\$2,995 from 125 donors were used for book restoration and special purchases. Our major restoration project involved boxing, deacidifying and strengthening Robert Furber's magnificent *Twelve Months of Flowers* published in 1730. Nine additional books were also restored. An entire wall of locked shelving was installed completing the housing of Pennsylvania and special collection books in the fire-protected area.

The American Rock Garden Society and the American Bonsai Society continued their lending agreements with 198 books borrowed by ARGS, 85 by ABS members. Circulation by mail to local members totaled 491. Three hundred and thirty books were added to the collection.

The collection of more than 400 current seed and nursery catalogs is used daily by staff and members. To keep it up to date and usable, volunteer Nathalie Nelson works on this collection on a regular basis, requesting catalogs from new suppliers and updating listings. Frances Barnett continues her weekly volunteer work with the collection of old catalogs and foresees an enormous job next year incorporating the recent gift from the Burpee Company into the PHS collection.

Library Committee

Joan Z. Brinton, *Chair*
Raul Betancourt, Jr.
Thomas Buchter
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Elizabeth B. Farley
George M. Harding
John S. Kistler
Kitty Lapp

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Carol R. Palmer
Lois W. Paul
Elizabeth C. Walker
Elisabeth Woodburn
Dorothy S. Young
L. Wilbur Zimmerman

Horticulture Hotline

From 9:30 to noon, four mornings a week, one of a corps of 16 experienced gardeners answers horticultural questions on the Hotline (922-8043). A total of 1,979 calls were answered in the past year. Hotline volunteers looked at plant pests and diseases from a different perspective during a visit to the Ortho Experimental Research Station in Moorestown, NJ where a good infestation of white fly in the greenhouse is a goal for research projects. The climax of the "Hotline Appreciation Day" was lunch in the fascinating Moorestown garden of PHS members Bill and Edythe Collins.

Hotline Volunteers

Bobbie Breuninger
Kathie Buchanan
Jane J. Carter
George M. Clark
Betty Derbyshire
Martha Fisher
Harriett B. Green
Nancy Greenwood
William F. Happich
Star Johns
Elizabeth B. Michell
Erich Meitzner
Nathalie Nelson
Jen Porter
Mrs. Victor J. Roberts
Irene Slater

PUBLICATIONS



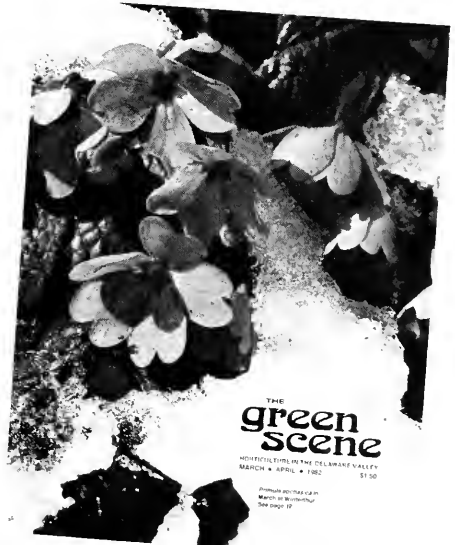
With our July 1982 issue, *Green Scene* completed its 10th year of publishing. We've come a long way, from our original 26-page, black and white first issue. Our last issue in volume 10 contained 40 pages, with almost half in four color. Our index for the year has expanded from a page to a page and one-half indicating increased stories and authors. We have plenty of stories in the bank; in fact as we go to press the stories for the next three issues are completely scheduled. We even have a story on the books for 18 months from now.

Mailing costs for non-profit publications have soared this year. *Green Scene* mailing costs increased 54% and those for the *News*, which we continue to publish 11 times a year, have risen 83%.

More than 26,000 copies of the Flower Show Program were sold for \$1.50 apiece at the 1982 Show. The Council again worked to solicit ads. Their energetic assistance increased the total advertising pages from 36 to 41¼ pages this year including 11 color pages.

Publications Committee

Adele Greenfield, *Chair*
Ruby Beckett
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Charles W. Heuser
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SHOWS

Philadelphia Flower Show

Philadelphia Civic Center,

March 7-14, 1982

Judging and Preview:

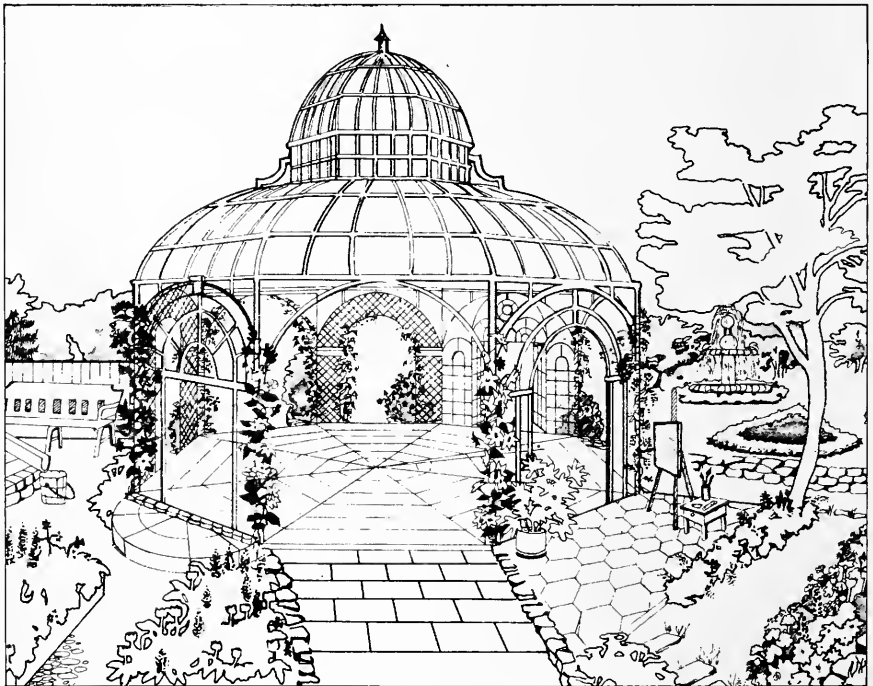
Saturday, March 6

Joining with the City of Philadelphia Century IV celebration, the theme for the 1982 Philadelphia Flower Show was "Penn's Greene Countrie Towne." As visitors strolled through the main aisle they glimpsed the past, present and future. A fantasy orchid island by Waldor Orchids with a waterfall cascading from the ceiling provided the entrance feature. A sculpture garden depicting the year 2000 along with garden club entries featuring "A Garden for Today," and "Penn's Greene Woods - 1682" by

Vick's Wildgardens, surrounded the central feature, "Changing Images of the Garden - 300 Years of Horticulture" produced by the Tercentenary Gardens Collaborative.

Twenty-nine horticultural organizations led by the Morris Arboretum participated in this collaborative exhibit staged by Gale Nurseries. Standing in the center of the large conservatory, visitors were able to view the changing images of three centuries of gardening in the Philadelphia area.

In competitive class sections, horticultural and artistic classes were integrated, thus improving traffic flow. An enthusiastic committee staged 1,800 entries in 174 classes, including four entries in both the garden and challenge



Changing Images in the Garden - 300 Years of Horticulture. Flower Show central exhibit.

classes. Show winners received congratulations from president Henry H. Reichner and PHS Awards Committee members Sally Reath and Cecily Clark at the annual Exhibitors and Awards Luncheon. Exhibitors and volunteers were welcomed to the Philadelphia Zoo in early July for the annual Flower Show summer party.

In previous years, crowded food service areas have been a topic for discussion and complaints. This year Ogden Food Service opened a new Garden Cafe in A Hall following the Preview Dinner, providing additional space for visitors and a box lunch service for bus groups. A total of 722 bus groups attended the Show.

Despite a bomb scare on opening day and warm weather near the end of the week that kept people outdoors, the Show drew 201,451 paid visitors. In all 224,000 attended the Show, including exhibitors, judges, PHS members and press. Nearly 1,000 volunteers worked hand in hand with exhibitors and staff to convert five acres of barren concrete into a magnificent prelude to spring.

Flower Show Committees

Executive

Robert W. Preucel, *Chair*
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 Robert Butera
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 Mona D. Gold
 Herbert W. Goodall, Jr.
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 David M. Kipphut
 Richard W. Lighty
 William D. MacDowell
 Bayard H. Roberts
 Roland Taylor
 Robert W. Thomas

Ralph R. Walker
 Jane Ward
 Sandra C. Ward
 L. Wilbur Zimmerman

Hospitality

Beth Butler
 Lucille P. Bisbee
 Sue Williams

Exhibitors & Awards Luncheon

Mona D. Gold, *Chair*

Judges and Awards

Sally Reath, *Chair*,
PHS Awards Committee
 Sandra C. Ward, *Chair*,
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 Penny Ashmead, *At Large*
 Martha B. Barron, *Coordinator*
 Tania G. Biddle, *Vice-Chair*,
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 Dixie Chapman, *Chair*,
Arrangement Clerks
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PHS Awards Committee
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Awards
 Anne Coste, *Chair*,
Arrangement Judges
 Barbara Cramer, *At Large*
 Sanna Drake, *At Large*
 Sally Fernley, *Vice-Chair*,
Horticultural Judges
 Martha B. Fisher, *At Large*
 Sally N. Graham, *Vice-Chair*,
PHS & Special Panel Clerks
 John S. C. Harvey, *Points*
 Pam Hutchinson, *Vice-Chair*,
Horticultural Clerks
 Katharine H. King, *At Large*
 Jane Lohmeyer, *Points*
 Patter Peterson, *Chair*,
Horticultural Judges
 Mary Schwartz, *Vice-Chair*,
Horticultural Judges
 Joanne W. Stehle, *Vice-Chair*,

continued

Horticultural Clerks
Barbara Warwick, *Chair*,
Horticultural Clerks
Susan P. Wilmerding, *At Large*

Competitive Classes

Louise H. Harrity, *Chair*
Jane Ward, *Vice-Chair*

Arrangement Classes

Barbara Cramer, *Chair, Niches*
Carolyn Waite, *Vice-Chair*,
Niches
Anne Letter, *Chair, Aides*
Dorothy Swalm, *Vice-Chair, Aides*
Fran Borie, *Vice-Chair, Aides*
Penny Ashmead, *Co-Chair, Passing*,
Advisor, Miniatures
Harriet H. Palmer, *Co-Chair*,
Passing
Susan H. Stanley, *Vice-Chair*,
Passing
Joan Semple, *Niche Nomenclature*
Sarah C. Z. Groome, *Advisor*,
Large Niche
Phebe L. Guckes, *Advisor*,
Large Niche
Katharine H. King, *Advisor*,
Medium Niche
Sanna Drake, *Advisor*,
Small Niche
Ginny Simonin, *Advisor*,
Small Niche

Room and Table Classes

Adelle Webb, *Co-Chair*
Susan Moran, *Co-Chair*
Sally Humphreys, *Vice-Chair*

Pressed Plant Material Classes

Theresa Phillips, *Chair*
Jeanne Griffith, *Vice-Chair*

Miniature Classes

Jane S. Roberts, *Chair*
Joan R. and James McNee,
Vice-Chairs

Garden Class

Gainor I. Miller, *Chair*
Carol Sagendorph, *Vice-Chair*

Elizabeth B. Michell, *Vice-Chair*

Challenge Garden Class

Mrs. Richard C. Smith, *Chair*
Mrs. Victor J. Roberts, *Vice-Chair*
Mrs. John W. Flemer, *Vice-Chair*
Mrs. A. Fleming Austin, *Vice-Chair*

Horticultural Classes

Sally Rorer, *Co-Chair*
Susan D. Stauffer, *Co-Chair*
Susan P. Wilmerding, *Vice-Chair*
Carol Lamberton, *Chair, Aides*
Sally Johnson, *Vice-Chair, Aides*
Dede Madden, *Vice-Chair, Aides*
Judy Romig, *Chair, Staging*
Betsy Gray, *Vice-Chair, Staging*
Jean G. Bodine, *Co-Chair, Passing*
Margaret P. Bowditch, *Co-Chair*,
Passing
Irene Slater, *Chair, Typing Aides*

Nomenclature Committee

Richard W. Lighty, *Chair*
Charles Cresson
Elizabeth Farley
Anita Kistler
Paul Meyer
Mrs. Victor J. Roberts
Irene Slater

Flower Show Long Range Planning Committee

The Flower Show Long Range Planning Committee's task is to look ahead toward the development of future flower shows. Together staff and committee explore ideas for Council opinion and review. During the past year the committee discussed suggestions for the 1984 Show, which will have an oriental theme. In addition, the committee continues to review suggestions for the future operation of the Show.

Committee

L. Wilbur Zimmerman, *Chair*
Carter R. Dorrance



Chase Rosade and Lynn Porter water bonsai. An ancient Japanese duck egg barrel handles excess water.

Herbert W. Goodall, Jr.
Mary Hyndman
J. Liddon Pennock, Jr.
Robert W. Preucel
Landon L. Scarlett
Ralph R. Walker
Jane Ward

The Harvest Show

Saturday-Sunday, September 26-27
Judging & Members' Preview,
Friday, September 25
Memorial Hall, West Fairmount Park

A good gardening year brought an abundance of entries – 1,597 – to the Society's 1981 Harvest Show. Thirty-four garden clubs and horticultural organizations made more than 800 horticultural entries and 19 high quality educational exhibits were displayed.

Philadelphia community gardeners contributed over 600 entries. This section of the Show, which is cosponsored by Philadelphia Green and the Penn State Cooperative Extension Service's Urban Gardening Program, culminated in a Harvest Party on Saturday evening

where city gardeners traded garden secrets and celebrated their harvest achievements.

Attendance was way up over last year – from 4,950 to 6,600. Visitors enjoyed a new demonstration series on Saturday and Sunday afternoons featuring topics such as wine making, beekeeping, rose pruning and fresh flower arranging. Another new feature of the Show was the Children's Challenge Classes on Saturday morning. Captain and Mrs. Noah of WPVI-TV and Council member Paul Dandridge judged the imaginative entries of Pumpkin Pals, Scarecrow Hats and Old Shoes.

Before the end of the year the Society received word that Memorial Hall, home of the Harvest Show for 12 years, would not be available for the 1982 Show due to a leaking roof. In March the committee accepted a gracious invitation from the Fairmount Park Commission and the staff of the Fairmount Park Horticulture Center to hold the upcoming show under glass and canvas in the Park.

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1981 Harvest Show CommitteeBarbara K. Heckert, *Chair*Ann Marlar, *Vice-Chair*

Kathryn S. Andersen

Teri Andreozi

Susan Armstrong

Doris W. Atkinson

Bea Billau

Willie Mae Bullock

Jane J. Carter

Buffie Clothier

Janet Darrington

Jewel DeFrate

Elizabeth Derbyshire

Henrietta Deubler

Mrs. Reginald J. Doherty

Mrs. George S. Duncan

Marian Fellheimer

Hazel Felton

Helen Flaig

Juanita Fletcher

Ruth Flounders

Joan Galloway

Sally N. Graham

Sondra Green

Phoebe Griswold

Dorothy Grosse

Elizabeth Gruber

Peggy R. Hartwick

Katharine T. Haupt

Margaret Hayes

Edwin Heitman

Joyce Holmes

Corlet Wright Jackson

Betty Keirn

Frank Keiser

Barbara B. Kidder

Kitty Lapp

Sue Leary

Jane R. Lennon

Lee Loveland

Amy Mackay

Elizabeth B. Michell

Almina Monteiro

Eileen Morris

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Irene Parvensky

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Eleanor Robbins

Mattie Robbins

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Anne Robinson

Ray Rogers

Jean Sampson

Mrs. Joseph J. Scanlon

Jean Shannahan

Marie-Louise Shull

Irene Slater

Almina Smelly

Marie Smeltz

Patricia J. Sonneborn

Ellen Swartwout

Ann Swan

Mrs. Lyle R. Tanner

Mrs. Carl H. Tompkins

Julie Trombetti

Sharon Turner

Marise van Trump

Elizabeth C. Walker

Joanne Walkovic

Lura C. Wampler

Sandra C. Ward

Adelle Webb

Luanne Wolf

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George R. Clark

Robert W. Crawford, *President*

Fairmount Park Commission

Elizabeth F. Darocha, *Chair*District I, Garden Club Federation
of Pennsylvania

Muriel Happich

Mary Harrigan

Evelyn Hett, *Chair*

Phila. Area Judges Council

John Kistler

J. Liddon Pennock, Jr.

Mrs. Victor J. Roberts

Landon Scarlett

Ralph W. Walker

1981 Junior Flower Show – Let's Bloom Together

First Bank of the United States
Thursday, Friday, Saturday,
November 19-21

Despite an extended strike in the School District of Philadelphia, more than 620 entries and 10 special exhibits were on display in this year's Junior Flower Show. These students, K through 12, came from over 40 school/youth groups in the Delaware Valley. The show was open an extra day this year for special events and to allow school groups more time to see the show. Staff and volunteers created a Daisy Wall, and Aunt and Uncle Daisy presented awards to the schools and individuals who made the most

entries. For the first time five best of shows to outstanding individual entries were also made. Pierre Radebaugh, *Green Scene's* youngest author, visited the show.

The show continues as an event to recognize the horticultural endeavors of young people and to provide inspiration to over 1,000 visitors both young and old.

Junior Flower Show Committee

Mrs. George S. Duncan, *Co-Chair*
Mrs. Joseph J. Scanlon, *Co-Chair*
Kitty Lapp, *Clerks Chair*
Evelyn Hett, *Chair of Judges*
Donna Thorpe, *Exhibitors Aides*
Almina Smelley, *Exhibitors Aides*
Mrs. Victor J. Roberts, *Hospitality*
Mark Schoenholtz, *Staging*



Children at the Junior Show examine a food friend, made from fruits and vegetables.

AWARDS



Among other challenges, members of the Awards Committee have the responsibility of choosing the recipients of the Society's major awards. In addition, this hard-working committee selects more than 600 judges for the Society's three shows, for the Plants in the Business Environment and the City Gardens Contests, as well as appropriate ribbons and awards.

Major Awards

1981 Distinguished Achievement

Medal – *Everitt L. Miller*

1981 Certificates of Merit –

Mrs. Walter K. Howard

Lester P. Nichols

1981 Junior Horticulturist

Winner – *Paul Winski*

Daniel Drake (runner-up)

1981 Plants in the Business Environment Awards

Special Certificates

Bell of Pennsylvania

Dunwoody Home

Marriott Corporation

University Museum

Awards

American Institute for Property &

Liability Underwriters

Horsham Clinic, Inc.

ICI Americas Inc.

Montgomery Hospital

Laurel Award

This award was given to an organi-

zation whose plantings were in excellent shape five years following the initial award.

Philadelphia Marriott Hotel

J. Franklin Styer Award of Garden Merit

Now in its second year, the evaluators who comprise the J. Franklin Styer Award Committee met in January to consider new entries for the Certificate of Preliminary Commendation. The plants awarded the certificate will be evaluated yearly, for at least five years, and their growing conditions carefully noted.

Ilex serrata x verticillata

'Sparkleberry'

Malus 'Jewelberry'

Viburnum nudum 'Winterthur'

Styer Award Committee

Richard W. Lighty, *Chair*

Paul W. Meyer

Evaluators

Darrel Apps

Jared Berd

James Cross

Tom Dilatush

William H. Frederick, Jr.

William Heyser

Steven Hutton

Philip Normandy

Sally Reath

Quentin Schlieder

Bradshaw Snipes

J. Franklin Styer



George Off has something to glow about at the Flower Show: Best of Show in Commercial Display category.

Flower Show Awards 1982 Philadelphia Flower Show

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society Flower Show Award for the Best in Show in the following categories:

Commercial

Education - *Philadelphia Water Department*

Display - *Waldor Orchids*

Aesthetic - *Robert Montgomery Landscape Nursery*

Non-Profit

Education - *Delaware Valley College of Science and Agriculture*

Display - *Delaware Valley Chapter, American Rock Garden Society*

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society Horticultural Sweepstakes Trophy for the individual accumulation of the greatest number of points in the Horticultural Classes: *Janet M. Welsh*

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society Horticultural Sweepstakes Award for the individual

runner-up in the Horticultural Classes: *Sylvia Lin*

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society Flower Arranging Sweepstakes Trophy for the individual accumulating the greatest number of points in the Arrangement Classes: *Robin Engle Lippincott*

Margah Flood Memorial Trophy for the horticultural organization accumulating the greatest number of points in the Horticultural Classes: *Wissahickon Garden Club*

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society Club Sweepstakes Award for the horticultural organization accumulating the greatest number of points in the Arrangement Classes: *Wissahickon Garden Club*

The Margaret Buckley Zantzinger Award for the garden club accumulating the greatest number of points in all competitive sections of the Show: *Wissahickon Garden Club*

The Grand Sweepstakes Award for the individual accumulating the greatest number of points in all competitive sections: *Sanna Drake*

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1981 Harvest Show Awards

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society Flower Show Award for the best of show in the following categories:

Horticultural Organization:

Philadelphia Area

Cactus and Succulent Society

Commercial: *Swansen and Borie*

Non-Profit Institution:

John Bartram Association

Individual or Family:

Helen Knauff and Rita Precopio

Everlasting Plant Material

PHS Gardeners Sweepstakes

Award to the individual winning the greatest number of blue ribbons in the horticultural sections of the show: *Lee Loveland*

PHS Community Garden Sweepstakes Trophy

to the community garden winning the greatest number of blue ribbons in the show: *56th and Haverford Streets*

PHS Club Sweepstakes Trophy

to the horticultural organization winning the greatest number of blue ribbons in the show: *West Chester Garden Club*

PHS Awards Presented Elsewhere:

The Flower Show Medal of the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society to Haskell's Nursery at the New England Spring Garden and Flower Show

The Silver Medal Certificate of the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society to Senora Naty de Zevallos at the International Flower Show, Lima, Peru

Awards Received

The Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania Staging Award presented to the 1981 Pennsylvania Horticultural Society Harvest Show

Awards Committee

Sally Reath, *Chair*

Cecily G. Clark

Muriel Happich

Barbara K. Heckert

Mary Hyndman

Russell O. Jones

Richard W. Lighty

Erich Meitzner

Lois W. Paul

J. Liddon Pennock, Jr.

Sandra C. Ward

MEMBERSHIP



New Life Members

Mrs. Thomas J. Farrell, Jr.
Winifred T. Hare
William King
Maxine DeS. Lewis
Peter S. Strawbridge

The Society had 300 more members in June 1982 than in June 1981. The total membership exceeds 6700 due in part to an intensive membership drive at the Philadelphia Flower Show where 149 PHS members served long hours in the traditional and two additional membership booths. In June we held an open house to welcome new PHS members and to thank the membership booth volunteers.

ACTIVITIES FOR MEMBERS

PHS members are enthusiastic participants and we enjoyed their attendance at activities which included 22 workshops, courses, lectures and symposia, 19 field trips and 6 special events, including show previews. A special trip "Glories of French Gardens," arranged by Academic Arrangements Abroad, resulted in donation income for the Society.

Horizons East Preview

Thursday, October 15

The PHS Preview for Horizons East started as a gleam in the eye of the Special Events Department at Strawbridge & Clothier. Generous support from the store's management and PHS members created a memorable evening. Responding to an invitation from Peter S. Straw-

bridge, president, more than 830 PHS members and special guests enjoyed cocktails, hors d'oeuvres and the opening of the company's fall oriental extravaganza at the Philadelphia store. Strawbridge & Clothier covered all expenses for the evening and each member contributed \$35 to the Society for a total of \$29,900.

Garden Visits

Main Line and Newtown Square
May 1982

Mr. & Mrs. W. Blakeley Chandlee
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Peter Strawbridge receives honorary life membership from Jane Pepper as Hank Reichner looks on. Strawbridge hosted memorable Horizons East Preview for PHS members.

Emily Read Cheston 1897-1982



A few days before her death in late June, Emily Cheston wrote a friend that she had been royally feted in celebration of her recent birthday. As was characteristic of her, she felt that it all had "little to do with me but amazement that anyone is 95."

Everyone who knew Mrs. Cheston was enriched by her intelligence, good humor and kindness. With great generosity she shared her knowledge and love of gardening and books with the many people who visited her over the years. Time spent talking with Mrs. Cheston on her plant-filled sunporch or in front of a warming fire will be a cherished memory for many of us.

Emily Cheston was a valued member of PHS for nearly 60 years. Her guidance and good sense were largely responsible for the success of *From Seed to Flower*, PHS's Bicentennial exhibit and catalog.

Mrs. Cheston and her late husband, Edward, shared their farm, Hayfield, with friends and neighbors for the more than 50 years they lived there. In 1974 they gave their woods to Upper Dublin Township as a nature center, and recently Mrs. Cheston donated another 23 acres, including her house and barn, to the project.

Emily Cheston possessed a serenity rarely found in our speeded up world. Her enjoyment of life came in no small part from nature. The flowers and trees she planted with great care at Hayfield over the years and the sheep and horses grazing in the pastures were sources of great happiness for her. She generously shared her joy in living with all of us who admired and loved her.

HEADQUARTERS EXHIBITS



"Holiday Vignettes," our December exhibit, featured small sections of interior and exterior settings with natural holiday decorations. An 18th century drawing room, a New Jersey seashore cottage and a contemporary hall were among the vignettes offered.

In honor of the city's 1982 Century IV Celebration, committee members planned a major exhibit, "Penn's Greene Dream," to depict the various ways that the Society is continuing to maintain and to build on William Penn's dream of a beautiful Greene Countrie Towne.

Exhibits during the year included:

July - August

Basic Pruning

September - October

Handmade Paper from Roadside Weeds

November

Harvest Highlights & Japanese Brush Painting

December

Holiday Vignettes

January

The Philadelphia Flower Show - The Way It Was

February - March

Art and Flora

April - June

Penn's Greene Dream

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Painting and papering is all part of the job for Exhibit Advisory Group member Frannie Cullen.

THE GARDENS AT PHS



The 18th Century Garden, the orchard, the perennial and herb gardens at the Society's headquarters continue to thrive under the diligent attention of the garden volunteers. Each Wednesday from April through October this dedicated group comes together to plant, weed, deadhead, fertilize and water.

In addition to providing care for the plants, our garden volunteers act as an important liaison between the Society and the gardens' many visitors. They give directions, answer plant questions and often have the opportunity to introduce visitors to other aspects of the Society's activities.

Thanks to a generous gift from Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence H. Katz we

were able to plant a new santolina hedge in the 18th Century Garden and incorporate a new ochre-colored lattice fence into the perennial bed.

Garden Volunteers

Lauralou Bates
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Edward A. Doelp
Lilly G. Glazer
Johanna Goedel
Helen Kaufman
Miriam Kroungold
Kitty Lapp
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Ann McPhail
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Frances Vollmer



Big decisions are made at PHS members' Plant Giveaway.



PUBLIC INFORMATION

Although the dispensation of information about the Society's activities and services is designated as a staff function, the Society is fortunate to have some 6,700 members serving as ambassadors and communicators.

Fall publicity included items about the City Gardens Contest awards, the Harvest Show, the Recognition Dinner and the Junior Show. A WPVI-TV crew produced a half-hour documentary about the Philadelphia Green program for *Visions* in November, highlighting city gardeners' late summer activities and PHS Council member Willie Mae Bullock's Hope Springs Garden.

In February we contracted with The Idea Works, a freelance public relations firm, to assist with the public information program. An extensive publicity effort produced a flood of favorable press clippings on the 1982 Philadelphia Flower Show, including six feature articles in the Philadelphia *Inquirer* and

articles in *Newsweek* and the *New York Times*, both firsts for the Flower Show. As in past years, local radio and television crews provided generous coverage for the Show. For the second year AM Philadelphia (WPVI-TV) produced an hour-long broadcast direct from the Show. Newspapers and the electronic media provided accurate and sympathetic coverage of the bomb threat.

Ed Lindemann continues to appear on WPVI-TV each month with Captain Noah in "A Child's Garden." Jane Pepper recently completed her first year as garden columnist for the Philadelphia *Inquirer*.

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COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Philadelphia Green

The staff and Advisory Board welcomed 102 new gardening groups who planned and carried out greening projects in their neighborhoods during the past year. This brings the total of Society-sponsored community gardening projects during the past nine years to almost 650 active member blocks.

To sustain gardening interest in those communities that have become independent of direct materials assistance from Philadelphia Green, staff members continue efforts to provide services to these veteran blocks. In addition to the three gardeners' events – the City Gardens Contest, the Harvest Show, and the Recognition Dinner – Philadelphia Green maintains contact with independent groups through its monthly newsletter.

Participation in the Community Gardeners' Competitive Classes at the 1981 Harvest Show reached an all time high, with 80 gardening groups making a record 600 entries. At the Recognition Dinner held at Palumbo's in South Philadelphia, City Managing Director W. Wilson Goode congratulated 50 community gardeners for their untiring efforts to make the city a better place to live.

This year, the staff revamped its annual plant sale to independent groups offering bulk purchases of market packs of flowers and vegetables. About 140 organizations purchased plants through the sale in 1982, compared to about 50 groups in 1981.

The staff and an Advisory Board

subcommittee set up a pilot Garden Supplies Service in late winter to enable Philadelphia Green-sponsored garden clubs to order supplies for their communities. More than 32 communities purchased almost \$2,300 of garden supplies.

A highly successful new venture for Philadelphia Green has been the Garden Assistants Program. Throughout 1981 an initial group of six community people were hired and worked with staff on new planting projects throughout the city. Their presence exceeded expectations, and their enthusiasm for learning about horticulture and assuming responsibility confirmed the project's potential as a "training" program. Through a grant from the William Penn Foundation, Philadelphia Green established the Garden Assistants Training Program.

Twelve community members made up the class of 1982. After an eight-week classroom course in the basics of growing plants in the city, Assistants were teamed with coordinators on spring planting projects.

During the summer, a few Assistants were employed to visit independent Philadelphia Green-sponsored projects, offering technical assistance and encouragement to residents to continue their greening efforts. The response by these veteran groups that the Society "still cared enough" to visit the community has underscored the importance of continuing personal contact with neighborhoods.

Residents of the Central North

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Gardeners from three of the 650 Philadelphia Green sponsored city gardening projects cultivate, plant and harvest through the year.





Ida Johnson and friend share the harvest at the 7th & Jefferson Street Vegetable Garden.

◀ Everyone pitches in at the Gratz Street Sitting Garden.



Philadelphia neighborhood of West Hagert and Philadelphia Green completed greening strategies for this eight-block area in the spring. The area will be dedicated as the West Hagert Greene Countrie Towne and will serve as a model to other Philadelphia neighborhoods and also to community groups in other cities.

In cooperation with Mayor Green's Clean-Up Campaign, volunteers put together 2,500 "Clean-Up and Green-Up" information packets and distributed them at the annual Clean-Up Rally and to interested blocks through a general mailing by the City of Philadelphia. The staff has also set up a demonstration garden at Fairmount Park's Horticulture Center to represent a typical city sitting garden featuring plants that will grow in the urban environment. During the winter, the staff and Advisory Board members produced a 17-minute audio-visual presentation on the Philadelphia Green Program.

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The 1982 City Gardens Contest got underway with a celebrity plant-off. Jonathan Burpee (standing) assists contest chair Herb Clarke with tomato transplants.

City Gardens Contest

The seventh annual City Gardens Contest was a success. A "kick-off" at the Aspen Farms Community Vegetable Garden featured Herb Clarke, WCAU-TV weatherman and honorary chair of the City Gardens Contest. By the end of June, 454

gardens were entered in competition; 325 judges enlisted.

In July judging teams covered the city from corner to corner complimenting entrants for their hard work and ability to cope with difficult growing conditions. In August 121 gardens, divided into 10 categories, were ranked as finalists for

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second judging. Herb Clarke and Willie Mae Bullock, Chair of the Philadelphia Green Advisory Board, presented prizes at the awards ceremony at the Pennsylvania Hospital. In addition, all gardeners who entered the contest received PHS certificates acknowledging their participation, and 75 gardeners responded to the first time offer to receive judges' comments.

Winners included:

Ten first place prizes of \$50 to:

Community Vegetable Gardens

Large garden

Louisa McCoubrey, *Chair*

Brickyard Farm, 4225 Sansom

Small garden

Frank Keiser, *Chair*

4300 Sansom

Community Container Projects (blocks)

Donna Thorpe, *Chair*

2500 block of N. 20th Street

Greenest Block in Town

Estelle Gelzer, *Chair*

2100 block of Wharton Street

Community Flower Garden (Sitting Garden)

Mark Schoenholtz, *Chair*

319 Emily Street

Individual Vegetable Garden

Ernest Meyer

Charlotte and Henry Elsner

Individual Flower Garden

Fred Vesce

Betty J. Tinsley

Individual Container Garden

Barbara Truman

School Programs

Green The Schoolyard

The principal, teachers, students, and community people worked together to turn two vacant lots across from the John Welsh School, 4th & York Streets, into a vegetable garden and a sitting area – the Rainbow Garden. The Philadelphia Green staff provided guidance, plants and construction materials.

A new subcommittee of the Community Activities Committee, Green The Schoolyard Subcommittee, was formed to help set direction for this program with both new groups and former participants. Committee members initiated the first workshop for teachers involved with greening projects in their schools. In addition, committee members recommended matching garden clubs and past Green The Schoolyard participants to encourage continuing support. Friends Garden Club and Smedley School got this off the ground with exchanges of visits, planting of azaleas, and a summer plan for weekly workshops at the school.

Inservice Education

Following meetings with the Girls Club of Philadelphia, the staff held a gardening workshop for Club leaders throughout Philadelphia.



PREVIEW DINNER

The Preview Dinner surpassed all expectations in 1982. Over 2,000 patrons subscribed for cocktails and dinner – beginning with the traditional snapper soup. Cocktails-only subscribers doubled their numbers to 200. Thanks to careful planning and meticulous attention to detail by the committee under the leadership of Bayard H. Roberts, guests, including Mayor and Mrs. William J. Green, enjoyed this spectacular event. Dinner receipts continue to contribute to the success of the Society's outreach programs.

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Mayor and Mrs. Green are greeted by Jane Pepper and Flower Show chair Robert Preucel.



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REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE



Harold C. Wessel, *Chair*
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During the year, Alfred S. Martin, Chair, who so adequately guided this Committee for a number of years, requested leave of his responsibilities and Harold C. Wessel was appointed Chair.

Within the current fiscal year the Committee met periodically with a representative of the Girard Bank, the Society's investment adviser, and reviewed the portfolios of the Investment Advisory Account, the Operating Fund and the Elizabeth Shaffer Trust, all managed by the Girard Bank. Committee members are in agreement that the Society's investment objectives are being met. The income from these funds plays an important role in the operations of the Society. The return in the current fiscal year, due to continued high interest rates, was well above budget.

The Committee recommended a transfer of \$300,000 from the Operations Fund to the Endowment Fund and to increase the Flower Show Reserve Fund to \$100,000, a more realistic figure than the \$75,000 that had been set aside in the past. The Committee deemed it appropriate that our Council members be protected in their association with the Society by liability insurance, provided by the Society. Accordingly coverage was arranged for \$5 million.

We met with the Society's auditors, Main Hurdman, and reviewed and accepted the audit report for the year ended June 30, 1982. This report is available at the Society's offices.

The Society's audit report has for years been maintained on a cash basis. It was recommended that the Society change to an accrual basis in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. (Basically, cash basis accounting records an item only when it is received or paid, while the accrual basis records the transaction when it occurs, thus accounting for the transaction within the period that it covers.)

A thorough review of this proposed change was made. Several of the Society's accounts and programs are maintained on an accrual basis at present. Inasmuch as the overall effect will be nominal, and we would be in compliance with generally accepted principles, this change was recommended. The auditors' report this year reflects this change.

THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY
STATEMENT OF FUND BALANCES
Year Ended June 30, 1982

	<u>Operating Fund</u>		<u>Endowment Funds</u>		<u>Total</u>
	<u>Undesignated</u>	<u>Designated</u>	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Restricted</u>	
Balance, June 30, 1981 as originally reported	\$449,362	\$ 75,000	\$ 730,009	\$20,353	\$1,274,724
Adjustments for change to accrual basis	<u>(53,414)</u>	_____	_____	_____	<u>(53,414)</u>
Balance, June 30, 1982, adjusted	395,948	75,000	730,009	20,353	1,221,310
Excess of operating fund revenues over expense	314,326				314,326
Gain (loss) on sale of investments	(2,823)		22,820		19,997
Contributions				15,000	15,000
Life membership dues			2,000		2,000
Interfund transfers	<u>(325,000)</u>	<u>25,000</u>	<u>300,000</u>	_____	_____
Balance, June 30, 1982	<u>\$382,451</u>	<u>\$100,000</u>	<u>\$1,054,829</u>	<u>\$35,353</u>	<u>\$1,572,633</u>



Corina Bailey at the Gratz Street Sitting Garden

STATEMENT OF OPERATING FUND INCOME
Year Ended June 30, 1982

	<u>1982</u>
Operating revenue:	
Membership dues	\$ 159,788
Designated contributions	14,430
Flower Show	1,121,468
Preview dinner	229,820
Fees and sales	29,915
Membership and other activities	58,589
Grant income	<u>117,500</u>
	<u>1,731,510</u>
Operating expenses:	
Salaries	275,203
Other employee expenses	62,819
Building maintenance and utilities	43,113
Depreciation and amortization	10,619
Administrative supplies and expense	<u>72,901</u>
	464,655
Less allocation of overhead to Flower Show	<u>(193,000)</u>
	<u>271,655</u>
Philadelphia Green	133,640
Other community service projects	25,139
Publications	100,024
Flower Show, including allocation of overhead	865,986
Preview Dinner	82,960
Library and educational programs	19,752
Membership and other activities	87,088
Special projects	<u>13,420</u>
	<u>1,328,009</u>
Income from operations	<u>131,846</u>
Non-operating revenue:	
Invested funds and savings accounts	146,032
Schaffer Trust	31,533
Unrestricted contributions	<u>4,915</u>
	<u>182,480</u>
Excess of revenue over expenses	<u>\$ 314,326</u>

STAFF EXTENSION



The Society's staff extends itself well beyond the activities planned for our own constituency. During the year the executive director and some staff gave lectures, consulted with, or participated in programs of the following:

Academy of Natural Sciences
American Association of Botanical Gardens & Arboreta
American Community Gardening Association
American Rock Garden Society
Amy School – Career Day
Appalachian Trail Council
Business Volunteers for the Arts
Buten Museum of Wedgwood
Civic Center – Mayor's Clean-Up Rally
Clean Air Council
Community Leadership Seminars
Council of Botanical and Horticultural Libraries
Council of Writers Organizations
Delaware Valley College
Delaware Valley Toxics Coalition
Friends Hospital
Friends of Laurel Hill Cemetery*
Garden Center of Greater Cincinnati's National Symposium
Garden Writers Association of America*
Gardens for All
Garland Publishing Company
Greater Philadelphia Cultural Alliance*
Haverford College, Campus Arboretum Association*
Home of the Merciful Savior for Crippled Children
Independence National Historical Park
International Society of Arboriculture
KYW-TV Farm, Home & Garden

Show
Longwood Gardens
Longwood Program, University of Delaware*
Moorestown Garden Club
Morris Arboretum
Museum Store Association
National Council for Therapy and Rehabilitation through Horticulture – Delaware Valley Chapter
New Hope Flower Show
Orianna-Kater Neighbors Association
Pennsylvania Nurserymen's Association
Penn State Cooperative Extension Service Executive Committee
Penn Valley Garden Club
Philadelphia Council of Neighborhood Organizations
Philadelphia *Inquirer* - Weekly Gardening Column and Action Line
Philadelphia Maritime Museum
Philadelphia Orchestra Association
Planters Garden Club
Powelton Village Garden Club
Providence Garden Club
Salve Regina – The Newport College*
Seed and Weed Garden Club
Society of Professional Journalists/SDX
Special Libraries Association, Philadelphia Branch
Temple University
Temple University – Ambler School of Horticulture Alumni Meeting
WCAU-Radio
West Shore Civic Corporation
Wilmington Garden Center
WPVI-TV AM/Philadelphia, Captain Noah
WTMR-Radio

*serve on governing/advisory board

STAFF



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Flower Show Manager

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Activities Coordinator

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Philadelphia Green

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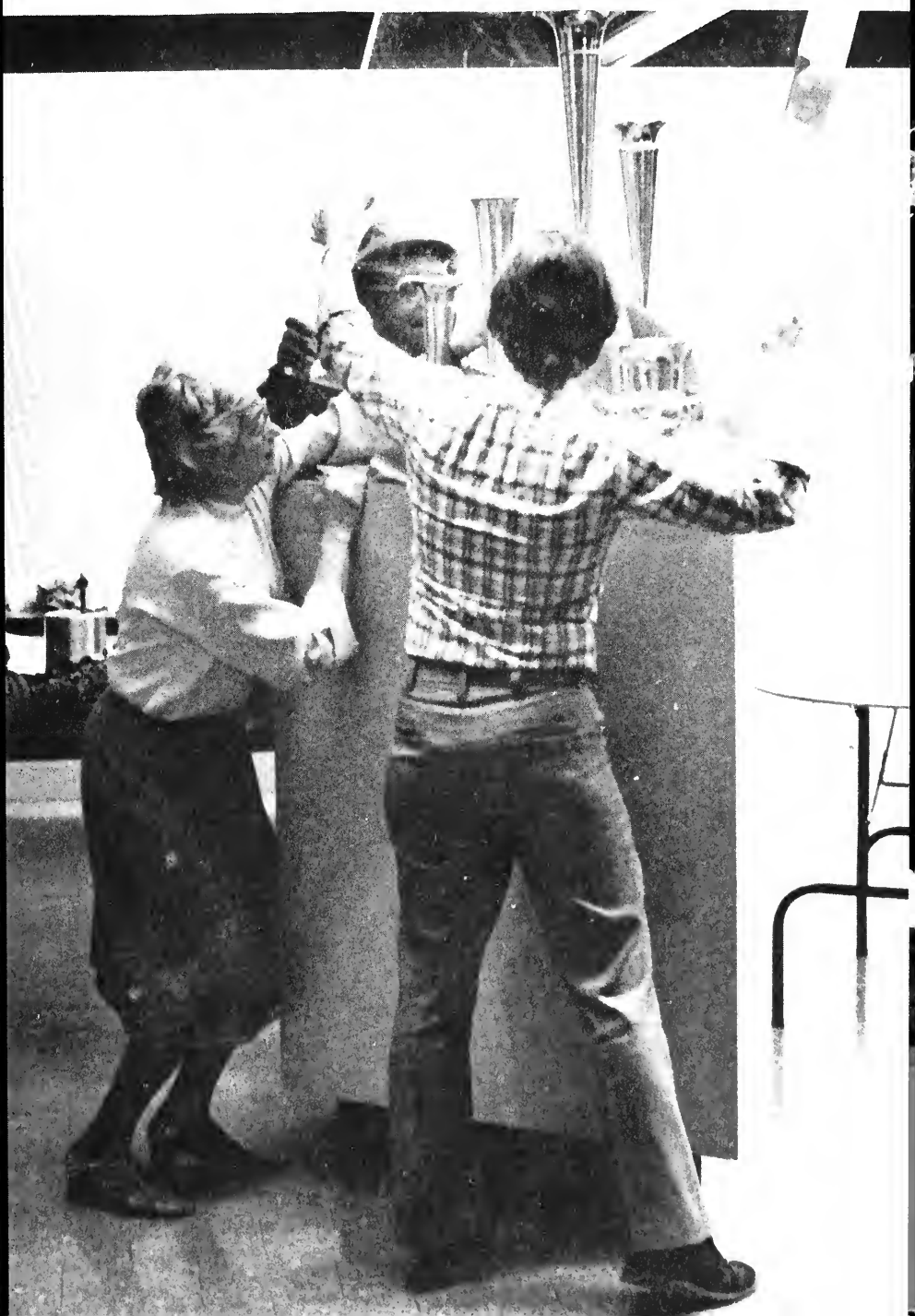
Mary Lou Wolfe
Librarian

Paul Wolfinger
Field Supervisor,
Philadelphia Green

*part-time

**until January 1982

Staff on the job. Mary Lou Wolfe assists Ben Johnson ►
and Ed Lindemann (back to camera).







Yearbook '83

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society



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YEARBOOK

July 1, 1982 to June 30, 1983

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society
Independence National Historical Park
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The purposes of the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society are: to collect and disseminate information about horticulture; to inspire a taste for horticultural knowledge; and to make that knowledge available to as many people as possible.



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Cover: Harvest Show judges sample preserved products at the 1982 Show at the Fairmount Park Horticulture Center.

◀ Four-year-old Elizabeth Flounders of the Powel School models her necklace made from pine cones, sea shells and rose hips for the jewelry class at the Society's Junior Show. She won a blue ribbon for the necklace.



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Yvonne H. Wynn
L. Wilbur Zimmerman



It was such a nice day, some of the Society's Council members adjourned to the garden. *First row, l. to r.:* Russell O. Jones, Adele G. Greenfield, Muriel Hapich (white suit), Jean Bodine (striped blouse), Rubye Beckett, Joan Brinton, Sandra C. Ward. *Second row, l. to r.:* Elizabeth Lippincott, Margaret P. Bowditch (holding plant), Anne B. Putnam, Susan D. Stauffer, L. Wilbur Zimmerman, Mary C. Disston. *Top row, l. to r.:* Harold C. Wessel, Herb Clarke, James N. Nutt, Jr., Richard J. Both, J. Liddon Pennock, Jr.

Executive Committee

- Henry H. Reichner, Jr., *Chair*
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- Susan D. Stauffer

Salary and Compensation Committee

- Russell O. Jones, *Chair*
- J. Blaine Bonham, Jr.
- Jean Byrne
- Anne B. Putnam
- Ralph R. Walker
- Harold C. Wessel

Nominating Committee

- Anne B. Putnam, *Chair*
- Jean G. Bodine
- Barbara K. Heckert

The president of the Council and the executive director serve *ex-officio* on all committees.



Not every president and executive director can roll into a meeting on a moped. Here Henry Reichner, Jr. and Jane Pepper show the Council the "garden a-go-go" moped awarded to a new member joining the Society at the Flower Show. The black leather jacket Pepper is reaching for looks fine over Reichner's grey pin stripes.



'83 PRESIDENT'S REPORT

As you read this report, you should conclude that your Society is fortunate, indeed, to have a superb stable of sowers and reapers.

More than 1,000 dedicated volunteers, plus a top-notch supporting staff, are the keys to the continued flowering of the Pennsylvania Hor-

tical Society. Without either element, we would die on the vine.

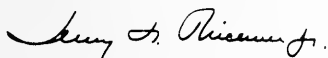
When you notice the broad range of interests, backgrounds and ages of those who participate in the affairs of the Society, one can also conclude that we are indeed inspiring people to horticultural pursuits

from growing and teaching to collecting and disseminating horticultural information.

A review of its programs shows the strength of your Society. In their content, we see efforts and activities that are not unlike trees, shrubs, perennials, annuals and structures that grace the gardens of the world – small and large – modest and magnificent. Would that other areas of human endeavor and aspiration attract the commonality of interest and devotion that characterizes the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society.

Thanks to all of you – members, supporters, volunteers, and staff – for helping to make this part of the world a nicer place in which to live and garden.

Up with Gardeners!



Henry H. Reichner, Jr.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The annual production of the *Yearbook* is a grand opportunity for us to review and assess the delights and disasters as well as the accomplishments of the past 12 months.

Happily, this has been a year of delights and I cannot recall a disaster worthy of mention. Among the year's highlights was a very successful Flower Show that set Philadelphia apart once again as the nation's most successful Flower Show city. Our other major Show, the Harvest Show, exuded a new warmth and vitality in its new

home. And our community horticultural activities, under the Philadelphia Green banner, continue to receive enthusiastic support from both neighborhood leaders and city officials.

Despite a raise in dues, the first in four years, our membership remains loyal and enthusiastic, as shown by membership numbers similar to last year, and by our members' participation in the Society's trips, workshops and Shows.

As a special project this year the Society has supported the beautification of the garden at the Japanese House and Garden in Fairmount Park through a grant authorized by Council in 1981. Working with the Friends of the Japanese House and members of the Fairmount Park staff, landscape architect Masao Kinoshita, Urban Design Collaborative Inc., Ohio produced a revised plan for the garden and completed pruning, transplanting and new structural elements for a total grant of \$25,000. Armed with Mr. Kinoshita's plan, the Friends of the Japanese House plan to raise additional monies to continue the improvements at this attractive and historic site.

As we move into another year, the challenge for the Society remains the same – to provide a wide diversity of horticultural services to our members and to the community at large. Each year the solutions to the challenge vary, and I welcome your participation and suggestions as we seek the best answers to the next year's challenge.



Jane G. Pepper



LIBRARY

The Library Committee has been working on the Library's space problems because the collection fully occupies its allotted space in the Society's intensively used building. We are studying ways to extend shelving and to use existing areas more efficiently. Three hundred thirty-four books were added to the collection this year. Weeding for the biennial book sale provides some shelf space, treasures for buyers, and this year, an income of \$2,597.

Seed catalogues have been a major focus in the Library for the last two years with Frances Barnett processing catalogues for the historical collection and Nathalie Nelson maintaining the collection of some 400 currently received catalogues.

The exhibit of old seed catalogues, inspired by last year's Burpee Company gift, was planned and staged by Frances Barnett, Joan Brinton, Geneviève Coghlan, Elizabeth Farley, Lillian Greenberg, Kitty Lapp, Elizabeth McLean and Sandra Myers.

Our books continue to cross the continent to serve the very active members of the American Rock Garden Society. Through the lending agreement with PHS, 228 books were borrowed by ARGS members and 80 by members of the American Bonsai Society. Three hundred sixty-four PHS members borrowed books by mail while 1,760 books were circulated to members visiting

the Library. Our slide programs were borrowed 96 times.

The installation of Catesby's *Natural History of Carolina, Florida and the Bahamas*, gift of the family of Frances O. Grant, was celebrated on October 26 with a special evening for Friends of the Library, featuring Robert M. Peck of the Academy of Natural Sciences. In May, Friends of the Library were invited to the exhibit opening of "Seed Catalogues: Purveyors of Dreams." After enjoying a May Bowle in the garden, guests heard historian Caroline Sloat of Old Sturbridge Village describe how old seed catalogues have been used to document historical restorations. One hundred twenty-three donors contributed \$3,254 to the Friends of the Library fund, which is used for book restoration

Library Committee

Joan Z. Brinton, *Chair*

Raul Betancourt, Jr.

Thomas Buchter

George R. Clark

Elizabeth B. Farley

George M. Harding

John S. Kistler

Kitty Lapp

Elizabeth P. McLean

Sandra K. Meyers

Carol R. Palmer

Lois W. Paul

Elizabeth C. Walker

Elisabeth Woodburn

Dorothy S. Young

L. Wilbur Zimmerman

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Gifts and Loans

A number of books from the Fairmount Park collection have been placed at PHS on long term loan. Some have since been extensively repaired and others placed in protective "phase" boxes. This loan has helped to fill gaps in our historical collections. The Library has also been enriched by a donation of books from Richard and Joseph Tilghman from Emily Read Cheston's estate. Because of Emily Cheston's long association with the Library, these books have special meaning for the Society. Future readers may sense her intimate knowledge of her books from the notes and inserts in her special favorites. As a memorial to Emily Cheston, Dr. and Mrs. John C. Wister funded the purchase of an important early book published on the Brandywine in 1793, John Spurrier's *The Practical Farmer*. A gift from Alfred S. Martin enabled the Library to purchase a rare two-volume French edition of William Bartram's *Travels*.

Additional major gifts of books or services

Mark E. Carl
Joseph N. John
Dr. & Mrs. George C. Henny
Hyman Myers
Robert Montgomery Peck
Myles Pettengill
Elisabeth Woodburn

Horticultural Hotline

Eighteen experienced gardeners shared the responsibility for answering 2,283 hotline calls on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays between 9:30 - 12:00. (Hotline number: 922-8043.) As a reward for answering those endless questions, the group enjoyed an informative June day at the Beltsville, Maryland Agricultural Experiment Station. In April, Dr. Ann F. Rhoads of the Morris Arboretum spoke to Hotliners about Integrated Pest Management.

Hotline Volunteers

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Kathie Buchanan
Jane J. Carter
George R. Clark
Elizabeth Derbyshire
Alice M. Doering
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Erich Meitzner
Elizabeth B. Michell
Nathalie Nelson
Jen Porter
Mrs. Victor J. Roberts
Irene Slater
Ana D. Thompson





PUBLICATIONS

The six issues of *Green Scene* carried 65 stories in its 11th year. The stories ranged from the use of the computer in the garden to garden wedding jitters, from poplars for fueling trucks to "small moments" in the garden. Our writers ran the gamut from four authors who completed books on contract or published books this year, to authors who hadn't attempted formal writing since English 101. In the last 12 months, we have had requests from other publications to reprint articles from *Greene Scene*; these included: *The Brooklyn Botanic Garden Handbook*, *Animal Kingdom*, *Avant Gardener*, national and regional publications for the American Rhododendron Society, and the *American Fuschia Society Bulletin*.

Our full color Christmas issue, "Places to Visit During the Holidays," had the largest print order ever, and became a collector's item almost as soon as it was out.

At the urging of librarians, we committed ourselves to a 10-year index to be published shortly; we know it will be a valuable aid to our readers as well as to librarians.

The Yearbook is an overall look at the year-round activities of the Society, as well as a record of who is doing what, when and where. It's a way for members to keep in touch with the variety of ways gardeners enjoy and promote horticulture

when they're not on their knees planting and weeding. It tells, in one shot, the year-round story of our 6,700 busy city, suburban and rural members.

The *Flower Show Program* sported a cover by the nationally known artist Sam Maitin. For the first time, color photographs of the Show were featured. We revised the format of the Program, creating a Green Directory for the ads and simplified listings. The Program was sold out the afternoon before the Show closed. We will continue to investigate ways to make the Program a more memorable record of the Philadelphia Flower Show.

PHS News: The News, issued 11 times a year, continues to be the primary source of information about members' activities, as well as information about the day to day operation of the Society.

Publications Committee

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'83 SHOWS

Philadelphia Flower Show

Philadelphia Civic Center,

March 6-13, 1983

Judging and Preview:

Saturday, March 5

Inspiration and ideas are never in short supply when we start working on a new Flower Show. Later, as we get to the nuts and bolts, the boundless supply of ingenuity, enthusiasm and determination that prevails among exhibitors and volunteers in all sections helps to produce the best Flower Show in the nation.

This year the magic worked again, and the Flower Show family built Follow the Sun from bare concrete to paradise in less than 100 hours. Many of the major exhibitors followed the theme with sunny terraces, a marina, a Hawaiian wedding garden, shade gardens and

even an ice skating party at sunset. The competitive classes got into the sunny act too with "Good Day Sunshine," sunporches and tables set for dining at sunset.

Our 250,000 visitors loved the Show and, despite the economic recession, they responded enthusiastically to the merchandise available in the trade area. With a substantial increase in paid attendance (226,860 vs. 201,451 in 1982), the Show was crowded and the lack of adequate parking caused frustrations for both exhibitors and visitors. The balance of our one-quarter million visitors are exhibitors, judges, PHS members and the press.

Locally, the media showered the Show with attention, and for the first time, Jack Eden, KYW Newsradio's garden reporter, broadcast



Looking and learning at the Flower Show.

daily from a booth in the Show's trade area. On the national scene, both NBC's Today Show and the CBS Morning News visited the Show, as did reporters from large metropolitan dailies such as the *New York Times* and the *Washington Post*.

In keeping with our theme of Penn's Green Countrie Towne for the 1982 Show, we held our 1982 summer party at Pennsbury on the Delaware. The mercury soared way past 90°F as exhibitors reminisced about past Shows and prepared to Follow the Sun in 1983.

Flower Show Committees

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Niches & Pedestals
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Aides
 Harriet Palmer, *Chair*, *Passing*
 Susie H. Stanley, *Vice-Chair*,
Passing
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Large Niche
 Barbara Cramer, *Advisor*,
Large Niche & Pedestal
 Katharine H. King, *Advisor*,
Medium Niche
 Sanna Drake, *Advisor*, *Small Niche*
 Ginny Simonin, *Advisor*,
Small Niche
 Joly Stewart, *Advisor*,
Miniature Arrangement
 Phebe Guckes, *Advisor*, *Pedestal*

Room and Table Classes

Adelle Webb, *Co-Chair*
 Susan Moran, *Co-Chair*
 Sally Humphreys, *Vice-Chair*

continued

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Theresa Phillips, *Chair*
Jeanne Griffith, *Vice-Chair*

Miniature Classes

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Co-Chairs

Garden Class

Gainor J. Miller, *Chair*
Elizabeth B. Michell, *Vice-Chair*

Balcony Class

Mrs. Richard C. Smith, *Chair*
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Mrs. John W. Flemer, *Vice-Chair*
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Alan Slack, *Co-Chair, Passing*
Irene Slater, *Chair, Typing Aides*

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Paul Meyer
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Irene Slater

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Sanna Drake, *At Large*
Sally Fernley, *Vice-Chair, Horticultural Judges*
Martha B. Fisher, *At Large*
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Lucille P. Bisbee
Julie Murphy
Joanna McQ. Reed
Sue Williams

Exhibitors & Awards Luncheon

Mary Hyndman, *Chair*





The Harvest Show

Fairmount Park Horticulture Center
Saturday-Sunday, September 24-25
Judging and members' preview,
Friday, September 24, 1982

The roof was leaking in Memorial Hall and it looked for a while as if we might have to hold the Harvest Show in an armory in Center City or North Philadelphia.

Fortunately, the Fairmount Park Commissioners invited the Society to hold the 1982 Show in the Horticulture Center at Belmont and Montgomery Avenues. Some 19,600 sq. ft. of greenhouse displays were augmented by 6,000 sq. ft. of tented area, and a versatile Harvest Show Committee developed new themes, new staging and new rules for the new facility.

Some 1,580 exhibits were staged on the greenhouse benches, with classes for both individual entries and for 800 entries made by community gardeners. The design classes and canned goods were staged in the display greenhouse, while harvest tables, trade booths and many major exhibits were staged in the tent. Expanded and improved food service was provided by the Reading Terminal Market and a bluegrass band, horticultural and tree climbing demonstrations engaged visitors after they had studied the exhibits. Junior visitors enjoyed a scarecrow challenge class, hayrides and the Saul High School barnyard.

The members' preview was held from 4-7:30 p.m., one hour later than in previous years to allow addi-

tional time to complete the judging. Overall attendance for the three-day Show was estimated at 5,500.

The Harvest Show has always been an important event in the Society's annual cycle at PHS, allowing gardeners to display their products in the horticultural sections and their talents in the design area. In this new location there are endless possibilities for new classes and new activities to encourage participation from gardeners throughout the Delaware Valley.

1982 Harvest Show Committee

Ann Marlar, *Chair*
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Bea Billau
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George R. Clark
Buffie Clothier
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Juanita Fletcher
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Phoebe Griswold
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Margaret Hayes
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Edwin Heitman
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Joyce Holmes
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Sue Leary
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1982 Junior Flower Show – Zoological Garden Revue

First Bank of the United States
Thursday, Friday, Saturday,
November 11-13, 1982

More than 2,000 visitors enjoyed the 1,400 individual entries and 12 major exhibits at PHS's 8th Junior Show. Students (from K through grade 12) entered 29 artistic and horticultural classes, which included fresh and dried arrangements, creatures created from fruits and vegetables, pressed plants, container-grown plants and plants grown from seed.

Mr. Dan-de-lion, an animated character, led pre-school children on an imaginary walk through the jungle. Elementary school children listened to poetry readings and songs performed by students from the Meredith School, and gardeners of all ages received plant information from the students of Lincoln High School.

Three Best of Show awards were given. Student Loretta Mestishen received the most blue ribbons.

Junior Flower Show Committee

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Junior Flower Show Advisory Committee

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Each year members of the Awards Committee face a wide range of challenges. They must choose nearly 600 judges who will judge everything from a miniature room to a five-acre landscape. The Committee makes an ongoing assessment of the Society's awards program and recommends to the Council both new awards and discontinuing those that are no longer relevant. Among their toughest challenges is the responsibility of deciding who will receive the Society's Major Awards: The Distinguished Achievement Medal, The Certificates of Merit and the Junior Horticulturist Award.

Major Awards

1982 Distinguished Achievement Medal – *Ernesta D. Ballard*

1982 Certificates of Merit –
Oliver J. Stark

John R. H. Thouron

1982 Junior Horticulturist Winner – *Theresa Marie Lewis*
Thaddeus Sinclair (runner-up)

1982 Plants in the Business Environment Awards

Special Certificates

Home Unity Savings & Loan Company

Pennsylvania Hospital

Rosemont College

Sun Company

Awards

Hatfield Packing Company

New Market

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YMCA of Philadelphia

J. Franklin Styer Award of Garden Merit

For the third year, the evaluators who comprise the J. Franklin Styer Award Committee met in January to consider seven eligible entries for Preliminary Commendation in 1983:

Cornus kousa 'Square Dance'

Ilex serrata x verticillata
'Autumn Gold'

I. serrata x verticillata
'Harvest Red'

I. serrata x verticillata
'Raritan Chief'

Pieris japonica 'Crystal'

Rhus chinensis 'September Beauty'

Viburnum x 'Eskimo'

Styer Award Committee

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Paul W. Meyer

Evaluators

Darrel Apps

Jared Berd

James Cross

Tom Dilatush

William H. Frederick, Jr.

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Steven Hutton

Philip Normandy

Sally Reath

Bradshaw Snipes

J. Franklin Styer

John Trexler

Flower Show Awards

1983 Philadelphia Flower Show

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society Flower Show Award for the Best in Show in the following categories:



Susan Ott Seelye created a niche for herself among the winners. The silver is for her Niche of the Week at the Flower Show.

Commercial

Education - *Rosade Bonsai Studio*

Display - *Teleflora*

Aesthetic - *Gale Nurseries*

Non-Profit

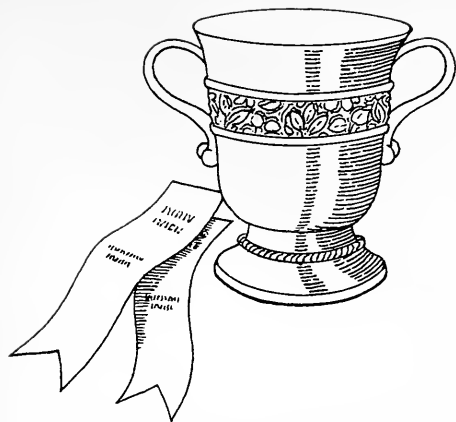
Education - *Philadelphia Green*

Display - *Greater Philadelphia Orchid Society*

Aesthetic - *Zoological Society of Philadelphia*

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society Horticultural Sweepstakes Trophy for the individual accumulating the greatest number of points in the Horticultural Classes: *Sylvia Lin*

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society Horticultural Sweepstakes Award for the individual runner-up in the Horticultural Classes: *Margaret P. Bowditch*



The Award of Horticultural Excellence: *Helen Knauff*

PHS Gardeners Sweepstakes Award to the individual winning the greatest number of blue ribbons in the horticultural section of the show: *Ann Swan*

PHS Community Garden Sweepstakes Trophy to the community garden winning the greatest number of blue ribbons in the show: *1500 Grays Ferry Avenue*

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society Flower Arranging Sweepstakes Trophy for the individual accumulating the greatest number of points in the Arrangement Classes: *Robin Engle Lippincott*

PHS Club Sweepstakes Trophy to the horticultural organization winning the greatest number of blue ribbons in the show: *West Chester Garden Club*

Margah Flood Memorial Trophy for the horticultural organization accumulating the greatest number of points in the Horticultural Classes: *Old York Road Garden Club*

PHS Awards Presented Elsewhere:

The Flower Show Medal of the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society to *Minutemen Regional Vocational and Technical High School* at the New England Spring Garden and Flower Show

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society Artistic Sweepstakes Trophy for the horticultural organization accumulating the greatest number of points in the Arrangement Classes: *Mt. Holly Garden Club*

The Silver Medal Certificate of the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society to *Bernard H. Genart* and *Robert Blaine* at the New Hope Flower Show in June 1983.

The Margaret Buckley Zantinger Award for the garden club accumulating the greatest number of points in all competitive sections of the Show: *Old York Road Garden Club*

Awards Committee
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 Richard W. Lighty
 Erich Meitzner
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 Sally Reath
 Jean Schumacher

The Grand Sweepstakes Award for the individual accumulating the greatest number of points in all competitive sections of the Show: *Rosemarie Vassalluzzo*

1982 Harvest Show Awards

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society Show Award for the best of show: *Crozer-Chester Medical Center*



MEMBERSHIP

We are now 6,688 members strong, nearly the same as a year ago in spite of a raise in dues: from \$20 to \$25 for a single membership, \$30 to \$35 for a family membership. Dues for contributing members were raised from \$50 to \$75, those for life members from \$500 to \$1,000. Of 851 new members, 542 joined at the Philadelphia Flower Show. An open house was held in June to welcome all new members and the Membership Booth Volunteers to PHS headquarters.

Classes, lectures, symposia, field trips including garden visits and six special events for members were well attended. A four-day trip, "Gardens of Maine," and a Mediterranean Cruise featuring gardens co-sponsored with the American Horticultural Society, provided donations for PHS.

ACTIVITIES FOR MEMBERS

Field Trips for Members

Andalusia and Pennsbury Manor, Bucks County, Pa.

Arboretum of the Barnes Foundation, Merion, Pa.

Breezewood and Ladew Topiary Gardens, Monkton, Md.

Brooklyn Botanic Garden, New York

Leonard J. Buck Garden, Bamboo Brook, Willowood, NJ

City Gardens Club Tour, New York
Duke Gardens and Art Museum of Princeton University, NJ

Eleutherian Mills and Nemours, Del.

Eleutherian Mills and Winterthur, Del.

Georgetown Garden Tour, Washington, DC

Green Lane area, Montgomery County, Pa.

Henry Foundation for Botanical Research, Gladwyne, Pa.

Longwood Gardens and Winterthur, Pa. & Del.

New Jersey Pine Barrens

Pennsylvania State Farm Show, Harrisburg, Pa.

Garden Visits

Maine, July 1982

Mrs. W. Vincent Astor

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Main Line, May 1983

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Chestnut Hill, May 1983

Ernesta D. & Frederic L. Ballard

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Classes and Lectures for Members

Arrangement Classes Symposium

Barbara Cramer
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Pat McCloud
Carolyn Waite
Adelle Webb

Arrangements of Dried Flowers

Helen Knauff

Baskets from Vines

Peggy Hartzell

Basic Landscape Design

Patricia Schrieber
Paul Wolfinger

Bouquet of English Gardens

Colvin Randall

Christmas Ornament Workshop

Ruth Flounders
Frank Kieser

Container Gardening Lecture and Workshop

Elvin McDonald

Flower Arranging

Bernice Makin

Gardens of Scotland

Jane G. Pepper

Gardens for Victorian Houses

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Green Wreath Workshops

Jane R. Lennon
Joanna McQ. Reed

Small Garden Design

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Training Plants Workshop

Sally Reath

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Elvin McDonald shows a container workshop participant how to tamp down the soil.

John Caspar Wister 1887-1982



John Caspar Wister, a gentle, quiet, self-effacing man, influenced horticulture and horticulturists both in the United States and abroad. For more than 70 years he traveled the world, working with authorities and horticultural societies. Results of his research in cross-breeding produced hundreds of new flower hybrids, and his many articles and books won him an impressive array of honors from professional and civic organizations.

He served the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society as Secretary from 1928-1951 when he firmly and finally refused the honor of becoming president, insisting the office should be held by an amateur.

The Society awarded him the Centenary Medal and the William Schaffer Medal for his Iris Culture in America in 1927, and he received gold medals from the Massachusetts Horticultural Society, the Garden Club of America, The American Daffodil Society and the American Rhododendron Society.

Much of Dr. Wister's work was conducted from the Swarthmore College campus where he lived and gardened with his wife Gertrude, also a distinguished horticulturist. He was director of the Arthur Hoyt Scott Horticultural Foundation from 1929-1969, later becoming director *emeritus* of both the Scott Foundation and the Tyler Arboretum.

After he graduated from Harvard University in 1909, he enrolled in Harvard's School of Landscape Architecture and followed that with courses at Rutgers Agricultural College.

He practiced landscape architecture here and in Europe, building a reputation as the dean of American horticulturists. Through the years he was closely affiliated with groups that included the American Rose Society, the John Bartram Association, and the American Daffodil and the American Iris Societies. He helped found the American Association of Botanical Gardens and Arboreta in 1940 and served as its president, 1954-55.

Lois Paul



Volunteers set up the Christmas Show at Society headquarters.



Flower Show

HEADQUARTERS EXHIBITS

Thousands of summer and fall visitors enjoyed Penn's Greene Dream, the special exhibit staged in honor of the City's 1982 Century IV celebration, depicting ways the Society attempts to keep his dream alive through flower shows, community gardens and other greening activities.

Opening day festivities included the posthumous presentation to William Penn of the Society's Certificate of Merit.

Exhibits during the year included:

November - December
How to Do It Holiday
Decorations

January
Joint Adventure (orchid plants & paintings)

February - March
Botanical Interpretations
(watercolors)

April
Landscape Paintings & Botanical
Drawings

May - June
Seed Catalogues: Purveyors of
Dreams

THE GARDEN AT PHS

The Eighteenth Century Garden was honored by KYW-TV's Evening Magazine with a Best Bet Award in late September for the best park bench in Philadelphia. The garden bench, situated under an arbor laden with grapes, faced a display of bright yellow mums, fiery orange cosmos and multi-colored gazania, bordered by plum coleus.

The impeccable care of the gardens is provided each Wednesday from April through October by a grand group of volunteers who plant, weed, deadhead, fertilize and water. In addition to their gardening chores they answer plant questions, give directions and often have the opportunity to introduce visitors to other aspects of the Society's activities.

Garden Volunteers

Lauralou Bates
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Edward A. Doelp
Lily G. Glazer
Johanna Goedel
Helen Kaufman
Kitty Lapp
Matthew H. McConnell
Ann McPhail
Harriet S. Richards
Frances Vollmer



Exhibitors' meeting.



New members' party in the Society's garden.

PUBLIC INFORMATION

The Society went national this year with publicity about the Philadelphia Flower Show. The Show was in full bloom over the air with NBC's Today Show, CBS Morning News and Disney Cable Channel's Epcot Magazine. Twenty feature articles appeared in the *Philadelphia Inquirer* and a flood of newspaper and magazine clips came pouring in before, during and after the Show. Jack Eden, KYW Newsradio garden commentator, spent the week at the Show answering thousands of gardening questions for our visitors. As in past years, local radio and television provided generous coverage for the Show. Evening Magazine (KWY-TV) produced five gardening segments at the Show which were aired throughout the week.

Although dispensing information about the Society's activities is a staff function, the Society is fortunate to have some 6,700 members serving as ambassadors and communicators.

Fall publicity campaigns included the City Gardens Contest Awards Night, the Harvest Show, the Recognition Dinner and the Junior Flower Show.

Ed Lindemann continues to

spread the horticultural word to junior gardeners in the Delaware Valley when he appears each month on the Captain Noah Show (WPVI-TV), while Jane Pepper keeps area residents informed through her weekly gardening column in the *Philadelphia Inquirer* Sunday Books/Leisure section.

Public Information Committee

James N. Nutt, *Chair*

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Frances Vollmer



'83 COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Philadelphia Green

Last year 89 community groups joined Philadelphia Green and the legions of city gardeners who are greening up vacant lots with vegetable gardens and sitting gardens and streets with trees, curbside planters, and window boxes. In addition, the eight-block North Philadelphia community of West Hagert celebrated its greening achievements in August with a festival following the project's eloquent dedication by city managing director W. Wilson Goode, Jr.

In the 88-block South Philadelphia community of Point Breeze, the neighborhood's Beautification Committee stepped up its greening activities last summer to prepare for almost 70 planting projects, including 40 garden blocks and 25 special lot projects. May 21, 1983 was Flower Day in Point Breeze, and block captains from 40 sponsored garden blocks planted over 20,000 flowers in window boxes and wine barrels. Neighborhood groups who adopted 25 vacant lots created their own gardens with an assortment of plants under a new lot garden project.

In the '82-'83 period, two overlapping groups of garden interns were training and working with the staff on projects with community gardeners including plantings and workshops. The Philadelphia Green interns are integral to the program, making important personal contacts with 750 "independent" neighborhood groups who have greened up through the program during previous years.

The Philadelphia Green Program accepted 30 Pocket Parks into its ranks of independent groups to take advantage of the program's services and technical assistance. These parks were originally sponsored by the Philadelphia Committee of the Garden Club of America and the City of Philadelphia's Department of Recreation. This agreement between PC-GCA and the Society will be reviewed annually.

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West Hager, an eight-block Greene Countrie Towne sponsored by the Society, was selected as part of Philadelphia's Century IV Festival in August '82.

Eleanor Robbins
Pearl Romans
Emma Roy
Almina Smelley
Donna Thorpe
Haroldline Trower
Sharon Turner
Ruth Wilkins
Janet Williams
Terry A. Williams
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Yvonne H. Wynn
Cecelia Yep

Harvest Show

At the 1982 Harvest Show, 75 gardening groups made 800 entries in competitive classes of vegetable and flower specimens, harvest tables, preserved foods, and container-grown specimens. Hundreds of city gardeners celebrated the harvest at a show party, dancing to hoe-down music as the sun set behind the Horticulture Center's reflecting pool.

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Executive director Jane Pepper and Jim LaRosa, a member of the City Gardens Contest Committee,

Recognition Dinner

"Super" community garden organizer Grover Willis of North Philadelphia was named Green Thumb of the Year at the annual Recognition Dinner held at the Franklin Plaza in October. Three hundred and ten community gardeners heard guest speaker Bob Perkins, WDAS-FM radio editorial manager, praise these leaders for their accomplishments.

Flower Show

The Philadelphia Green Advisory Board and staff had a unique opportunity to tell the Delaware Valley the joys and successes of city gardening at the 1983 Flower Show by exhibiting a scaled-down city block representing a complete horticultural community. The vegetable garden, Sunbeam Acres, sandwiched between two row houses, boasted 10 different vegetables, a wood chip



both look pleased at the turnout for the Contest's Celebrity Kick-off.

path, and rainbarrel for watering. "El Jardin Del Arcoiris" was a small neighborhood sitting garden named for the splashy rainbow that covered its two walls. Each of the five houses on Philadelphia Green Street boasted colorful window boxes. Tire urns, street trees, and curbside plants lined the sidewalks. Children from the Norris Square Project created a mural that

covered the wall at one end of the block. During the Show, Advisory Board members and volunteers promoted the City Gardens Contest and distributed information on the art of city gardening while enjoying the many awards made to this exhibit.

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1982 City Gardens Contest

Gardening and media personalities joined contest chair Herb Clarke, WCAU-TV weatherman, in kicking off the eighth annual City Gardens Contest with a tour of West Philadelphia community greening efforts and a "Celebrity Plant-Off" at the Leisure Isles vegetable and sitting garden, 44th and Brown Streets. The contest attracted a record 512 contestants in 12 categories, including two new categories: children's and first year gardens. Ninety teams of 321 judges visited all entrants during July and August.

To accommodate the record number of participants, the September awards ceremony was moved to the Port of History Museum at Penn's Landing. Philadelphia Green Advisory Board chair Willie Mae Bullock and Herb Clarke presented awards to 116 winners. Special awards were given by the Penn State Cooperative Extension Service's Urban Gardening Program for outstanding demonstration gardens and by the Germantown Horticultural Society for top gardening efforts in their community.

First place prizes for \$50 and membership in the Society were awarded to the following:

Community Vegetable Gardens

Large garden (tie)

Charles Evers, *Chair*
4245-49 Sansom St.

Alta Felton, *Chair*
1421-51 S. 25th St.

Small garden

Frank Kieser, *Chair*
4300 Sansom St.

Sitting Garden

Amanda Ferguson, *Chair*
2400 N. Colorado

Greenest Block in Town

Pauline Scott, *Chair*
5500 block of N. 55th

Garden Block

Geraldine Cade, *Chair*
2000 block of Glenwood

Community Vegetable Garden – 1st Year

James Jones, *Chair*
3951-53 Aspen St.

Individual Vegetable Garden

Large (tie)

Amos Rogers
Dorothy Riesdorff

Small

Gloria Merritt

Individual Container Garden

Jennie Campbell

Individual Flower Garden

Large

Fred Vescei

Small

James LaRosa

Children's Garden

St. Boniface School, 4th Grade
Patricia Harris, Teacher
Mascher & Norris Sts.

City Gardens Contest Committee

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Florie Dotson
Libby J. Goldstein
Rodnell Griffin
Evelyn Hett
James LaRosa
Evelyn LeVere
Cecily Littleton
Gloria Merritt
Pearl Romans
Suzanne Russell
Eugene Szymkowiak
Haroldline Trower



Funds to restore the pond were included in a grant the Society made to Fairmount Park's Japanese House and Garden to rejuvenate the gardens and entry court and to develop a Master Plan.

Greening the School Grounds

Proposals from three Philadelphia public schools for greening their school grounds were accepted and implemented this spring. Faculty, parents, and children of John Paul Jones Jr. High, Franklin Learning Center, and John Story Jenks Elementary Schools met at

the Society for two classes on growing plants in the city. Staff then visited the schools to lay out the gardens and plan for the community. The Hispanic neighborhood around Franklin School is now working with the children and with their teachers to expand the project's scope and involve the entire community.

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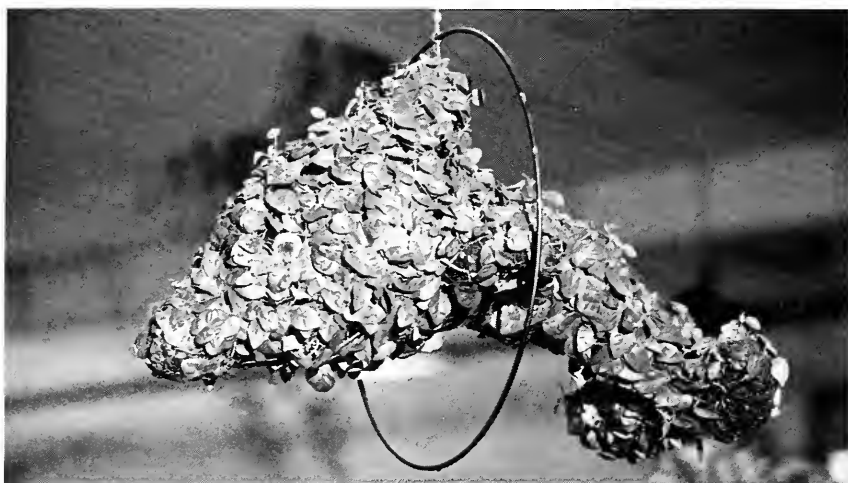
A committee of six teachers representing past participants in the Green the School Grounds Program was formed to assist the Society in guiding and developing the program. This year committee members instituted a "How Does Your School Garden Grow" maintenance contest to encourage the schools in their on-going greening efforts.

Green the School Grounds Committee

Rhea Shils, *Chair*
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Ted Ellerkamp
Robert Hunter
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Richard Krasner
Linda Middlewarth
Gloria Powers

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Rhea Shils
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Grover Willis
Yvonne H. Wynn



A fish out of water flips out in the horticultural section of the Flower Show.

'83 PREVIEW DINNER



Getting ready for the elegant Preview Dinner.

Each year the Preview Dinner Committee strives to ensure an evening of elegance and perfection. Under the leadership of the committee chair, Mary Disston, 1983 was no exception.

A string trio accompanied the 2,119 formally attired guests as they strolled through the Flower Show, during a leisurely cocktail prelude, looking at the exhibits unhampered by time or the press of crowds. Sumptuous hors d'oeuvres were served. At the end of the Show preview, 1,940 guests sat down to an excellent dinner in a room lit with candles and delicately twinkling lights. Orange and yellow arrangements at each table struck a happy note in the serene setting.

Prince Albert was the evening's guest of honor; the Flower Show was dedicated to his mother, Princess Grace of Monaco.

Preview Dinner Committee

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Bayard H. Roberts
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Susan D. Stauffer

Committee Aides

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Kathleen A. Putnam, *Vice-Chair*



'83 CONTRIBUTIONS

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The International Society of Arboriculture tree climbing demonstrations were popular at the Harvest Show.



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REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Harold C. Wessel, *Chair*
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The Committee met periodically with a representative of the Girard Bank, the Society's investment adviser, and reviewed the portfolios of the Investment Advisory Account, the operating fund and the Elizabeth Shaffer Trust, all managed by the Girard Bank. Although interest rates tended to level off and were generally lower than the prior year, the accounts produced an income that exceeded budget.

The Committee recommended a transfer of \$250,000 from the operating fund to the Endowment Fund. This recommendation was accepted by Council in June, 1983.

The audit report for the year ended June 30, 1983, by the Society's Auditors, Main Hurdman, was reviewed and accepted. The complete report is available for inspection at the Society's office.

On the whole, the Society experienced another good year. Income exceeded budget, and expenses were well within budgeted amounts, which together produced a very satisfactory result.

THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY STATEMENT OF FUND BALANCES Years Ended June 30, 1983 and 1982

	<u>Operating Fund</u>		<u>Endowment Funds</u>		<u>Total</u>
	<u>Undesignated</u>	<u>Designated</u>	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Restricted</u>	
Balance, June 30, 1981	\$395,948	\$ 75,000	\$ 730,009	\$20,353	\$1,221,310
Excess of operating fund revenue over expenses	314,326				314,326
Gain (loss) on sale of investments	(2,823)		22,820		19,997
Contributions				15,000	15,000
Life membership dues			2,000		2,000
Interfund transfers	<u>(325,000)</u>	<u>25,000</u>	<u>300,000</u>		
Balance, June 30, 1982	382,451	100,000	1,054,829	35,353	1,572,633
Balance, June 30, 1982					
Excess of operating fund revenue over expenses	369,066				369,066
Gain on sale of investments			20,143		20,143
Life membership dues			1,000		1,000
Interfund transfers	<u>(250,000)</u>		<u>250,000</u>		
Balance, June 30, 1983	<u>\$501,517</u>	<u>\$100,000</u>	<u>\$1,325,972</u>	<u>\$35,353</u>	<u>\$1,962,842</u>

STATEMENT OF OPERATING FUND INCOME
Years Ended June 30, 1983 and 1982

	<u>1983</u>	<u>1982*</u>
Operating revenue:		
Membership dues	\$ 165,844	\$ 146,388
Designated contributions	27,450	14,430
Flower Show	1,389,859	1,121,468
Preview dinner	265,725	229,820
Fees and sales	43,007	29,915
Membership and other activities	26,783	58,589
Grant income	<u>125,000</u>	<u>117,500</u>
	<u>2,043,668</u>	<u>1,718,110</u>
 Operating expenses:		
Salaries	295,743	275,203
Other employee expenses	76,630	62,819
Building maintenance and utilities	38,189	43,113
Depreciation and amortization	11,221	10,619
Administrative supplies and expense	<u>77,597</u>	<u>72,901</u>
	499,380	464,655
 Less allocation of overhead to Flower Show	<u>(230,000)</u>	<u>(193,000)</u>
	269,380	271,655
 Philadelphia Green	191,065	133,640
Other community service projects	17,665	25,139
Publications	113,494	100,024
Flower Show, including allocation of overhead	997,756	865,986
Preview Dinner	100,944	82,960
Library and educational programs	19,450	19,752
Membership and other activities	111,778	87,088
Special projects	<u>29,691</u>	<u>13,420</u>
	<u>1,851,223</u>	<u>1,599,664</u>
 Income from operations	<u>192,445</u>	<u>118,446</u>
 Non-operating revenue:		
Invested funds and savings accounts	126,586	146,032
Schaffer Trust	24,744	31,533
Unrestricted contributions	<u>25,291</u>	<u>18,315</u>
	<u>176,621</u>	<u>195,880</u>
 Excess of revenue over expenses	<u>\$ 369,066</u>	<u>\$ 314,326</u>

*Reclassified to current year's presentation.

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A winner herself, Ann Marlar lightheartedly enjoys a friend's club trophy at the Philadelphia Flower Show Awards luncheon.





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- ◀ Schuylkill Community Garden Harvest table wins a Certificate of Excellence at the 1983 Harvest Show.



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The president of the Council and the executive director serve *ex-officio* on all committees.



From policy to plants: Council members Harold C. Wessel, Russell O. Jones, and Herb Clarke adjourn to the garden for the Plant Give-Away.



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

This is my last report as your president.

Four years ago, the team of Pepper & Reichner took over the reins of the Society from the team of Ballard & Zimmerman. It has not been easy to fill the shoes of our predecessors whose counsel has been so important from the very day we assumed our responsibilities.

Personally, it has been a great four years for me as president, particularly because of Jane Pepper's qualities and capabilities. In any successful volunteer organization, there must be a combination of skilled and motivated volunteers and a sensitive and highly professional staff. While the volunteers supply a tremendous amount of expertise and enthusiasm at the Society, if it were not for the staff we would indeed flounder. It is the staff that supplies the continuity, the long term commitment, and the motivation that are keys to the success of our Society. I never cease to be amazed by the close and supportive interaction between the staff and volunteers. We are blessed indeed!

As living things go through their cycle of renewal, so must your Society if it is to do its job. Much has been said in recent years about "Sunset" legislation in the halls of government. The idea behind such legislation being that every government activity should be subject to a critical appraisal of its usefulness and relevance on a periodic basis. In a sense, your Society undergoes a critical appraisal each year. As



members, you can express a vote of confidence or a veto when you decide to renew or not renew your annual membership. Aside from membership, other special activities such as the Flower Show, Philadelphia Green, also are subject to an annual review.

In addition to this annual review, your Society periodically undertakes a formal analysis of its role in society and specifically, its mission. Towards the end of Ernesta Ballard's tenure, I was privileged to chair a Long Range Planning Committee to look into the future to determine, among other things, the kind of person we would need as our new executive director. If the quality of that executive director is any indication, that Committee was very successful!

This year, we initiated another rigorous self-examination and by the time you read this report, the initial findings of our 1984 Long Range Planning Committee will have been considered by your Council. We expect that this Committee working with other standing committees will give us a blueprint for our activities and actions over the coming decade. In essence, the Long Range Planning Committee is developing a new variety of Society the same way a hybridizer develops new plants. Every area of human endeavor, including your Society, needs the constant attention and experimentation of the hybridizers



to produce better varieties and better results.

In closing, I would like to thank all of you, volunteers and staff, for a perfectly delightful four years as president of your Society.

Henry H. Reichner, Jr.
Henry H. Reichner, Jr.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Enthusiasm and encouragement are two key words around the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society. One moment a staff member explains to the novice gardener how to battle the bugs. The next moment the experienced volunteer instructs staff and Society members in the art of pruning. Committees meet and together staff and volunteers iron out a show schedule, plan a symposium, develop a *Green Scene* special issue, or work together on legal issues and financial challenges. The Philadelphia Flower Show comes together that way, as does the Society's model community outreach program Philadelphia Green, membership programs, the Harvest and Junior Shows, and exhibits.

With a combination of talents and expertise, in an atmosphere of camaraderie, staff and volunteers were once again this year able to serve PHS members with a full

menu of activities and publications. In addition, they provided horticultural services to 900 community groups within the City of Philadelphia, and they reached far afield to intrigue 230,000 visitors who attended the Flower Show.

Show managers from Boston, Rochester, New York City, Cleveland, Nashville, Kansas City and Del Mar, California came to see how we put together the Flower Show in March. So did the *Today Show*, the *Victory Garden*, the *New York Times*, the *Wall Street Journal* and the *Washington Post*. In early June mayors, spouses and city officials visiting Philadelphia with the U.S. Conference of Mayors, studied the Philadelphia Green program in an event hosted by Mrs. W. Wilson Goode and PHS. We are always happy and proud to share our experiences with others, and also welcome questions and suggestions from our members.

Throughout the year visitors continued to stop by our headquarters, and as you'll see in the report that follows we've made some changes in the library, and we've rebuilt our greenhouse. In April, we were pleased to have Independence National Historical Park grant the Society a five-year extension on the 20-year lease for our beautiful building at 325 Walnut Street.

Leading our volunteers in these challenges to satisfy the horticultural needs of our community is the Society's Council, under the able leadership of Henry Reichner. Thanks to their succor and support and that of a wonderful staff, your executive director never feels at a loss for enthusiasm and encouragement.

Jane Pepper
Jane G. Pepper



LIBRARY

The Library grew up this year. After consulting with experts in library space problems, a subcommittee composed of Joan Brinton, George Clark, Elizabeth Farley, Sandra Myers, Elisabeth Robertson and Dorothy Young recommended that we add vertical shelving, i.e., shelving up to the ceiling, in all areas where structurally feasible. Also on their recommendation, approximately 350 of our rarer books and periodicals were placed on deposit with other PHS books at the American Philosophical Society. With this newly installed higher shelving, annual weeding of the collection and a ladder climbing staff, we have room for several more years of normal growth.

Friends of the Library enjoyed an April evening listening to Oriel Kriz talk about collecting botanical art. Earlier in the evening Friends had an opportunity to add to their private collections through a lively silent auction of botanical prints. The 114 Friends of the Library contributed \$3,875 toward the Library's special purchase and restoration projects.

Burpee Company's gift of 1500 old seed catalogs have been cataloged and enclosed in acid-free envelopes by volunteer Frances Barnett Gibson. Volunteer Nathalie Nelson has spent more than 150 hours this year updating the Library's 400 current seed and nursery catalogs.

PHS members borrowed 2,517 books during the year. Through lending agreements with the American Rock Garden Society and the American Bonsai Society, an additional 353 books were sent to borrowers nation-

wide. We added 381 volumes to the collection and removed 238.

Library Committee

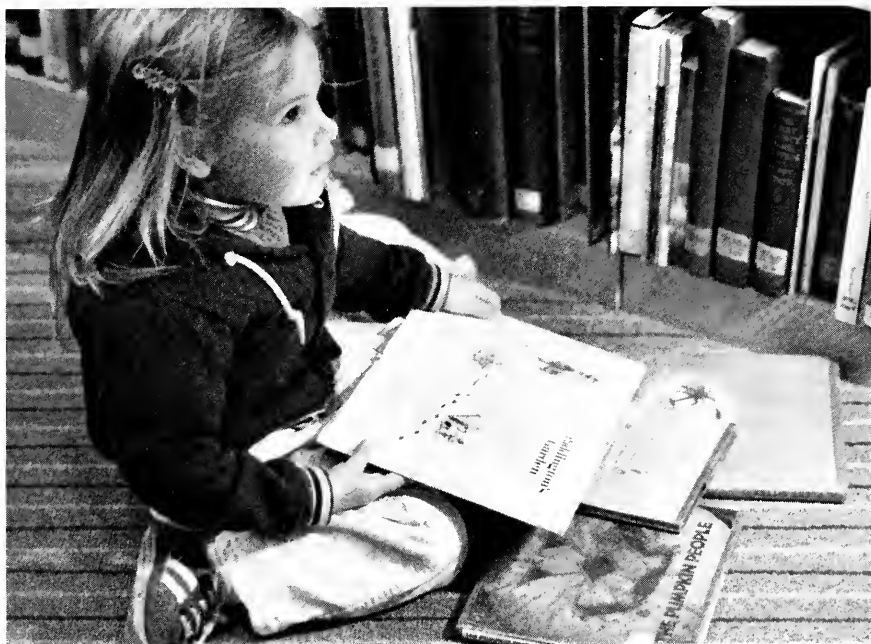
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Horticultural Hotline

Throughout the year on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays between 9:30 - 12:00, 17 expert and extremely patient gardeners took turns answering 2,083 Hotline calls, that dealt with turf problems, dogwood decline and requests for plant sources among hundreds of others. (Hotline number: 922-8043.) In October, Hotline volunteers updated their continuing education with a New Jersey visit to Tom Dilatush's nursery, lunch at Elisabeth Woodburn's Booknoll Farm and an afternoon at Princeton Nurseries guided by Alison Flemer. In June, Hotliners saw propagation projects at Winterthur, lunched at Richard Both's and visited Jim Plyler's native plant nursery.

Hotline Volunteers

Richard J. Both
Kathie Buchanan



Julie Smith enjoys family membership privileges in the Library.

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Gifts

Gertrude Wister has given the Library several boxes of Dr. John C. Wister's hand-colored glass slides illustrating PHS members' gardens in the 1920's and 1930's. Thirty-five

millimeter copies have been made from the originals so they can be used without endangering the fragile painted slides.

From the estate of Edith Haines Dewar we received a number of excellent books, the most notable of these being the first American edition of Charles Marshall's *An Introduction to the Knowledge and Practice of Gardening*, Boston, Samuel Etheridge, 1799 and Philip Miller's *The Complete Gardener and Farmer, Containing a New Gardener's Calendar* [sic], Dublin, J. Moore, 1806.

Major gifts of books or services

Edith Haines Dewar
Alfred S. Martin
Mary B. Read
Gertrude Wister
Elisabeth Woodburn



PUBLICATIONS

Green Scene: We ordered more than 10,000 copies of *Green Scene* for our special issue on perennials (July, 1984). In part, the barrier-breaking print order was swelled by requests for copies for distribution at a perennials conference at Longwood Gardens and the Perennial Plant Association meeting at Ohio State University. *Green Scene* continues to be distributed as part of the membership privileges of the Maryland Horticultural Society, Blithewold Gardens and Arboretum in Rhode Island and Frelinghuysen and Skylands Arboretums, both in New Jersey.

A strong regional magazine, *Green Scene* covers a broad range of growing problems, both indoors and outdoors. Our authors and subjects cross generations of gardeners as well as economic levels, focusing on both the great estates and the pleasures of gardening with window boxes. This year 70 stories appeared, written by wonderful new authors and many familiar and valued older ones. Their ranks have been invaded by other editors requesting reprint rights or original new stories; these editors are with the great metropolitan newspapers, magazines, book publishers and local and national plant societies.

Our new computer will make easier the job of compiling the 12 year index of stories and authors due next year for distribution to libraries and interested subscribers.

The Flower Show Program got a new look this year, providing more

color photographs of memorable exhibits from the Show. In addition, the Program provides a floor plan to the Show's visitors and a record of what the Show looks like as well as who is doing what to make it all happen.

The Yearbook, designed to provide an overview of the Society for its members, potential members, the media and for posterity, was issued to all members in November.

PHS News: From reports on the Philadelphia Food and Agriculture Conference about hunger problems in the United States to a behind-the-scenes look at the 1984 Philadelphia Flower Show, the *PHS News* continues to bring our members the latest of what's happening in horticulture at the Society and in the community.

The *PHS News* is published 11 times a year and includes items on the Society's many activities for members, a special section on new books in the Library and a lively column called Pepperpot about the Society's special people and projects.

Publications Committee

Adele G. Greenfield, *Chair*

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Darrel Apps

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Paul A. Dandridge

Judy Foley

Charles W. Heuser

Lynn Kippax

James J. McKeehen

L. Wilbur Zimmerman



Highest ranking senior master Kazuhiko Kudo of the Ohara School of Ikebana flew from Japan to assemble one of the 1984 Philadelphia Flower Show's central exhibits.



SHOWS

Philadelphia Flower Show

Philadelphia Civic Center,

March 11-18, 1984

Judging and Preview:

Saturday, March 10

With exhibitors from Japan and South Korea, and bonsai from Los Angeles and Washington, DC, the 1984 Philadelphia Flower Show took "A Trip to the Orient." To complement these displays from afar, Delaware Valley exhibitors created stone gardens, an oriental hillside garden and an English perennial garden with a Chinese Chippendale fence. Other exhibitors showed the oriental origins of our popular garden plants. Competitive classes featured The Orient Express, Haiku, Oriental Silk and Eastern Treasure.

Nestled alongside these competitions and displays were elegant terraces for contemporary American homes, woodland and water gardens as well as a scene from the New Jersey Pine Barrens. East met West and turned the cavernous Civic Center into a garden of earthly delights for 230,000 visitors. Special thanks to our thousands of volunteers and hundreds of expert exhibitors, as well as to members of the Philadelphia Chapter, Ikebana International and the Pennsylvania Bonsai Society who helped us bring the oriental theme from the drawing board to reality.

Exhibitors, volunteers and visitors suffered the ill winds of March with several inches of snow during set-up week as well as some icy

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roads followed by heavy rains during Show week. Paid attendance was 207,164 compared to the record-breaking 230,340 in 1983. Sales of advance tickets were ahead of previous years, and bus travellers fared better than in the past thanks to a revised parking system for tour buses. Crowded conditions on the Show floor are still a concern to the Flower Show Executive Committee.

The 1983 Summer Party for volunteers and exhibitors was held at the Fairmount Park Horticulture Center in early July, and the 1984 rendezvous at the Philadelphia Zoo in late June.

Flower Show Committees

Executive

J. Liddon Pennock, Jr., *Chair*
 Mary Hyndman, *Vice-Chair*
 Martha B. Barron
 Richard J. Both
 Robert J. Butera
 Elise Carr
 William F. Delafield, Jr.
 Mona D. Gold
 Leroy LaBold
 Richard W. Lighty
 Francis J. McKay
 Wayne Norton
 Robert W. Preucel
 Chase Rosade
 Susan D. Stauffer
 Paul Tickle
 Lorraine Toji
 Ralph R. Walker
 Jane Ward
 L. Wilbur Zimmerman
 Sandra C. Ward, *Ex-officio*

Competitive Classes

Jane Ward, *Chair*
 Susan D. Stauffer, *Vice-Chair*

Arrangement Classes

Anne Letter, *Co-Chair*,
Niches & Pedestals

Sanna Drake, *Co-Chair*,
Niches & Pedestals
 Dorothy Swalm, *Co-Chair*, *Aides*
 Fran Borie, *Co-Chair*, *Aides*
 Rosemarie Vassalluzzo, *Vice-Chair*,
Aides
 Harriet Palmer, *Co-Chair*, *Passing*
 Susan H. Stanley, *Co-Chair*, *Passing*
 Susan Moran, *Vice Chair*, *Passing*
 Joanne Marano, *Niche*
Nomenclature
 Sarah C. Z. Groome, *Advisor*,
Large Niche
 Barbara Cramer,* *Advisor*,
Large Niche & Pedestal
 Katharine H. King, *Advisor*,
Medium Niche
 Ginny Simonin, *Advisor*,
Small Niche
 Joly Stewart, *Advisor*,
Miniature Arrangements
 Cornie Walton, *Advisor*,
Miniature Arrangements

Room and Table Classes

Sally Humphreys, *Co-Chair*
 Carolyn Waite, *Co-Chair*
 Louisa Moffly, *Vice-Chair*
 Caryl Funke, *Vice-Chair*

Pressed Plant Material Classes

Theresa Phillips, *Chair*
 Jeanne Griffith, *Vice-Chair*

Miniature Classes

Cecilia L. Ross, *Chair*

Garden Class

Elizabeth B. Michell, *Chair*
 Toinette Coleman, *Vice-Chair*

Balcony Class

Martha Roberts, *Chair*
 Jean Maus, *Vice-Chair*
 Jean Craig, *Vice-Chair*

Horticultural Classes

Susan P. Wilmerding, *Co-Chair*
 Carol Lamberton, *Co-Chair*
 Angeline Austin, *Vice-Chair*

*deceased

Nancy Mead, *Chair, Aides*
 Virginia Cryer, *Vice-Chair, Aides*
 Betsy Gray, *Co-Chair, Staging*
 Judy Romig, *Co-Chair, Staging*
 Betsy Catlin, *Vice-Chair, Staging*
 Margaret P. Bowditch, *Co-Chair, Passing*
 Alan Slack, *Co-Chair, Passing*
 Alison Flemer, *Vice-Chair, Passing*
 Irene Slater, *Chair, Typing Aides*

Signs

Louise H. Harrity, *Co-Chair*
 Patter Peterson, *Co-Chair*

Nomenclature

Richard W. Lighty, *Chair*
 Charles O. Cresson
 Elizabeth Farley
 Mary B. Hopkins
 Anita H. Kistler
 Martha Roberts
 Irene Slater

Judges and Awards

Sandra C. Ward, *Chair, PHS Awards Committee*

Martha B. Barron, *Chair, Subcommittee*
 Tania G. Biddle, *Vice-Chair, Arrangement Judges*
 Patty Billings, *Co-Chair, PHS & Special Panel Clerks*
 Margaret P. Bowditch, *At Large*
 Dixie Chapman, *Points*
 Cecily G. Clark, *At Large*
 Tina Colehower, *Coordinator*
 Anne Coste, *Chair, Arrangement Judges*
 Barbara Cramer,* *At Large*
 Lynn Deming, *Co-Chair, PHS & Special Panel Clerks*
 Sanna Drake, *At Large*
 Sally Fernley, *Vice-Chair, Horticulture Judges*
 Martha B. Fisher, *At Large*
 Sally N. Graham, *Vice-Coordinator*
 John S. C. Harvey, *3rd Points*
 Pam Hutchinson, *Chair, Horticulture Clerks*
 Katharine H. King, *At Large*
 Carrie Lee, *Vice-Chair, Arrangement Judges*

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Flower Show exhibitors and committee members enjoy an evening together between Shows at their summer party at the Philadelphia Zoo.



John V. Allen IV, Horticulture Center administrator, pulls together the elements of a 16th Century Japanese pond garden for the Fairmount Park Commission's exhibit at the Flower Show.

Anne Letter, *At Large*
 Elizabeth Nancarrow, *Vice-Chair,*
Horticulture Clerks
 Patter Peterson, *Vice-Chair,*
Horticulture Judges
 Sally Reath, *At Large*
 Mary Schwartz, *Chair,*
Horticulture Judges
 Sidney Spahr, *Chair,*
Arrangement Clerks
 Susan D. Stauffer, *Vice-Chair,*
Competitive Classes
 Joanne Stehle, *Vice-Chair,*
Horticulture Clerks
 Susan Tyler, *Vice-Chair,*
Arrangement Clerks
 Carolyn Waite, *At Large*
 Jane Ward, *Chair,*
Competitive Classes
 Susan P. Wilmerding, *At Large*

Hospitality

Beth Butler, *Chair*
 Lucille Bisbee
 Julie Murphy
 Joanna McQ. Reed
 Sue M. Williams

Exhibitors & Awards Luncheon

Mary Hyndman, *Chair*
 Sylvia Lin

The Harvest Show

Fairmount Park Horticulture Center
 Saturday-Sunday, September 24-25
 Judging and members' preview,
 Friday, September 23, 1983

For the second year the Harvest Show was held at the Horticulture Center in Fairmount Park. The 1983 Theme was "Harvest Circus," and the show proved to be fun and entertaining. The weather was beautiful and 5,400 visitors enjoyed the competitive classes, major exhibits, children's activities, observation beehive, brass band music and good food. Exhibits were staged in the display and growing houses of the Horticulture Center as well as a series of tents erected for the occasion.

A light frost threatened the container grown fruits and vegetables on Friday night, but little was lost when a bright sun dawned on Saturday morning to welcome the public.

A trade booth section along with the harvest table classes and a restaurant area were housed in the large main tent that afforded a spectacular view of the Centennial

reflecting pool and fountains. The artistic entries stressed a practical approach for the home arranger with ideas for front doors, windowsills and kitchen counters. More than 200 preserved product entries were staged in a "Big Top" three-ring circus setting complete with clowns and circus posters. A new exhibit featuring baked goods incorporated an old-fashioned bake shop setting with scarecrow baker behind the counter. In addition to displays of horticultural excellence, the Harvest Show is becoming a fun family activity where everyone gets into the spirit of the fall season.

Harvest Show Committee

Ann Marlar, *Chair*
 Jan Darrington, *Vice-Chair*
 John V. Allen
 Doris W. Atkinson
 Sue Armstrong
 Martha B. Barron
 Jean Barwise
 Lauralou Bates
 Betty Bell
 Ann Benzel
 Richard Bitner
 Richard J. Both
 Joan Z. Brinton
 Willie Mae Bullock
 Jane Carter
 Jessie Carter
 Tina Colehower
 Barbara Cramer*
 Betty Derbyshire
 Henrietta Deubler
 Helene Duncan
 Blanche Epps
 Charles Evers
 Marion Fellheimer
 Helen Flaig
 Juanita Fletcher
 Ruth Flounders
 Joan Fredette
 Debra Geisler

Libby J. Goldstein
 Sally N. Graham
 Nancy Greenwood
 Phoebe Griswold
 Dottie Gross
 Linda Harris
 Peg Hartwick
 Kate Haupt
 Peggy Hayes
 Barbara K. Heckert
 Ed Heitman
 Evelyn Hett
 Joyce Holmes
 Betty Keirn
 Barbara Kidder
 Frank Kieser
 Katharine H. King
 Kitty Lapp
 Sue Leary
 Mary Lewis
 Lee Loveland
 Sandy Manthorpe
 William E. Mifflin
 Jo Muscari
 Terry Mushovic
 Celine O'Brien
 Elise Payne
 Gini Pellegrini
 Betty Persons
 Rick Ray
 Anne Robinson
 Mary Lou Scanlon
 Jessie Schaefer
 Cathy Schell
 Susan Schroeder
 Jean Shannahan
 Irene Slater
 Almina Smelley
 Carol Stroud
 Ann Swan
 Virgiania Tanner
 Julie Trombetti
 Sharon Turner
 Carolyn Waite
 Susie Walker
 JoAnne Walkovic
 Lura Wampler
 Claudine Wilson

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Junior Flower Show "Nature's Magic Show"

First Bank of the United States
Friday - Monday
November 11-14, 1983

In our ninth year we extended a warm welcome to young people in pre-school to 12th grade from Philadelphia and its surrounding communities to test their horticultural and artistic skills in the Junior Flower Show. The students responded with 1,100 entries in 30 classes, and 2,000 plus visitors.

An Activities Day held on Friday, November 11, produced a magician, and a clown. Educational exhibits represented several area schools. Blue ribbons were awarded to W. B. Saul High School for "The Magic of Ferns" exhibit in the high school division, and the Smedley School exhibit "The Enchanted Forest" in the elementary division. Lisa Lock-

wood won "Best of Show in Horticulture" and Lorretta Mestishen won "Best of Show in Artistic."

Junior Flower Show Committee

Helene Duncan, *Co-Chair*
Mary Lou Scanlon, *Co-Chair*
Natalie Kempner, *Vice-Chair*
Jeanne Lennon, *Vice-Chair*
Evelyn Hett, *Chair of Judges*
Kitty Lapp, *Chair of Clerks*
Carolyn Seifert, *Vice-Chair, Clerks*
Almina Smelley, *Exhibitors' Aides*
Donna Thorpe, *Exhibitors' Aides*

Junior Flower Show Advisory Board

Sr. Marie Albert
Helen Green
Fred Hofkin
David Kipphut
Albert Smeraglio
Cora Turpin
Carol Williams
Mary Williamson



Visitors to the Junior Show touch test a turtle shell used with a dried plant arrangement. A recycled container was a requirement for the class.



AWARDS

The responsibilities of the Awards Committee include searching out and recognizing those in the horticultural community who are outstanding in their fields. The Committee meets several times a year to evaluate horticulturists and students who are nominated to receive the Society's top awards – The Distinguished Achievement Medal, the Certificates of Merit and the Junior Horticulturist Award.

Committee members also search out the best judges, nearly 600, experts who judge the wide range of exhibits at the Philadelphia Flower Show and the Harvest Show.

Major Awards

1983 Distinguished Achievement Medal – *William Flemer, III*

1983 Certificates of Merit – *Emily du Pont*

Sarah C. Zantzing Groome

1984 Junior Horticulturist Award – *Jonathan Bowman*

1983 Plants in the Business Environment Awards

Awards

ARCO Chemical Research
maintained by *Brickman Industries, Inc.*

MAI Sorbus Service Division
maintained by *Heyser Landscaping, Inc.*

Quaker Chemical Company
maintained by *Heyser Landscaping, Inc.*

Thelma Gray Public Relations

Laurel Award

Frankford Hospital, Torresdale Division

Certificates of Merit

Conard Pyle Company

Hopkinson House

Kings Croft Condominiums

Mason's Mill I

Philadelphia International Airport

Shared Medical Systems

SKF Industries

J. Franklin Styer Award of Garden Merit

The evaluators of the J. Franklin Styer Award Committee met in January and awarded the following eight entries the Certificate of Preliminary Commendation which allows the introducer to enter the plant for judging on its exceptional garden merit.

Deutzia crenata nakaiana

Hedera helix 'Buttercup'

Ilex crenata 'Beehive'

Ilex crenata 'Convexa Male'

Ilex crenata 'Jersey Pinnacle'

Ilex x 'Rock Garden'

Malus 'Donald Wyman'

Salix gracilistyla

Styer Award Committee

Richard W. Lighty, Chair

Paul W. Meyer

Evaluators

Darrel Apps

Jared Berd

James Cross

Tom Dilatush

William H. Frederick, Jr.

William Heyser

Steven Hutton

Philip Normandy

Sally Reath

Bradshaw Snipes

J. Franklin Styer

John Trexler

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Flower Show Awards

1984 Philadelphia Flower Show

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society Flower Show Award for the Best in Show in the following categories:

Commercial

- Aesthetic - *Robert Montgomery Landscape Nursery*
- Display - *George Robertson & Sons*
- Education - *Philadelphia Electric Company*

Non-Profit

- Display - *Fairmount Park*
- Education - *Morris Arboretum*

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society Horticultural Sweepstakes Trophy for the individual accumulating the greatest number of points in the Horticultural Classes: *Sylvia Lin*

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society Horticultural Sweepstakes Award for the individual runner-up in the Horticultural Classes: *Mrs. Lammot du Pont Copeland*

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society Flower Arranging Sweepstakes Trophy for the individual accumulating the greatest number of points in the Arrangement Classes: *Robin Engle Lippincott*

Margah Flood Memorial Trophy for the horticultural organization accumulating the greatest number of points in the Horticultural Classes: *American Rock Garden Society*

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society Artistic Sweepstakes Trophy for the horticultural organization accumulating the greatest number of points in the Arrangement Classes: *Mt. Holly Garden Club*

The Margaret Buckley Zantinger Award for the garden club accumulating the greatest number of points in all competitive sections of the Show: *Old York Road Garden Club*

The Grand Sweepstakes Award for the individual accumulating the greatest number of points in all competitive sections of the Show: *Rosemarie Vassalluzzo*

1983 Harvest Show Awards

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society Show Award for the best of show: *Chanticleer*

The Award of Horticultural Excellence: *Rosemarie Vassalluzzo*

PHS Gardeners Sweepstakes Award to the individual(s) winning the greatest number of blue ribbons in the horticultural section of the show: *J. Blaine Bonham* and *Bill Grubb*

PHS Community Garden Sweepstakes Trophy to the community garden winning the greatest number of blue ribbons in the show: *4300-4310 Sansom St.*

PHS Club Sweepstakes Trophy to the horticultural organization winning the greatest number of blue ribbons in the show: *The Seedlings of Kennett Square*



Elizabeth and William Flemer examine his 1983 Distinguished Achievement Medal.

PHS Awards Presented Elsewhere:

The PHS Best of Show Award to *Gary Snyder* of New Hope, Pa. for his entry in the 1984 New Hope Flower Show

The Silver Medal Certificate of the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society to *Foster Wright Cranor* of Lambertville, NJ for his entry in the 1984 New Hope Flower Show

The Flower Show Medal of the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society to *Mahoney's Rocky Ledge Farm and Nursery* at the New England

Spring Garden and Flower Show

Awards Committee

Sandra C. Ward, *Chair*
 Kathryn S. Andersen
 Martha B. Barron
 Cecily G. Clark
 Barbara K. Heckert
 Mary Hyndman
 Russell O. Jones
 Richard W. Lighty
 Erich Meitzner
 Lois W. Paul
 J. Liddon Pennock, Jr.
 Sally Reath
 Jean Schumacher



MEMBERSHIP

Thanks to the marvelous memory of our new computer installed in June 1983, we are happy to report that as of June 30, 1984 the Society had 6,650 members. Despite a rocky start as we entered the data, which resulted in late issues of the *News* and *Green Scene*, our first computerized membership year has been smooth. Our record keeping is now more accurate and will enable us, in future years, to keep closer tabs on membership trends and to organize more effectively membership solicitation campaigns.

Special thanks go to Mary Z. Calhoun who helped the Society to determine its automation requirements, and to select hardware and software to meet our needs. Calhoun, assistant vice president, Marsh and McClennan, donated her time and expertise to the Society through Business Volunteers for the Arts.

During the year 809 new members joined PHS, 185 of them at the Flower Show. We held an open house during June to welcome new members and to thank Flower Show membership booth volunteers.

Our year started in July, 1983 with a 14-day tour of Scottish gardens, led by Jane Pepper. Balmy weather and wonderful private hospitality created strong bonds between PHS and Scottish gardeners. Garden visits continue to be one of our most popular events, and we are endlessly grateful to members who generously allow approximately 300 other members to stroll through their gardens, big and small, on a Sunday afternoon. The Members Committee welcomes suggestions for classes, workshops, field trips and special events.

ACTIVITIES FOR MEMBERS

Field Trips

- Academy of Natural Sciences, Philadelphia
- Andalusia and Pennsbury Manor, Bucks County, Pa.
- Arboretum of the Barnes Foundation, Merion, Pa.
- Gardens in Washington, DC and Virginia
- Georgetown Garden Tour, Washington, DC
- Morven (Princeton) and Duke Gardens
- Old Westbury Gardens and Planting Fields Arboretum, Long Island, NY
- Pepsico Sculpture Garden and Wave Hill, NY
- Pine Barrens, NJ
- Serpentine Barrens, Chester County, Pa.
- Winterthur and Longwood Gardens – Holiday Decorations

Garden Visits

- New Hope, April 1984
 - Bowman's Hill Wildflower Preserve
 - Mrs. David Burpee
 - Robert L. Green
 - Charles H. Mueller
 - Chase Rosade
- Jenkintown, May 1984
 - The Highlands
 - Mr. & Mrs. Howard Brosius
 - Mr. & Mrs. H. Thomas Hallowell, Jr.
 - Mr. & Mrs. Bertram Roland
- Main Line, June 1984
 - Mr. & Mrs. Walter K. Howard
 - Mrs. E. R. Fenimore Johnson
 - Adolph G. Rosengarten, Jr.
 - Mr. & Mrs. Rodman E. Thompson
 - Mr. & Mrs. Charles S. Truitt
 - Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Wood

Gardens of Scotland

Ardchattan Priory (Lt. Col. R. Campbell-Preston)
Arduaine Gardens (E. A. T. Wright)
Balbithan House (Mary McMurtrie)
Blairquhan (James Hunter-Blair)
Bolfracks (J. D. Hutchinson)
Branklyn Garden (National Trust for Scotland)
Carnell (Commander J. B. Finlay, R.N.*)
Cluny House (Mr. & Mrs. R. S. Masterton)
Crathes Castle (National Trust for Scotland)
Croft Capanach (Dr. & Mrs. Fred Hewitt)
Culzean Castle (National Trust for Scotland)
Dalgairn (Mr. & Mrs. George McQuitty)
Dalmeny House (The Earl &

Countess of Rosebery)
Dirleton Castle
Drummond Castle (Grimsthorpe and Drummond Castle Trust)
Duthie Park Winter Gardens (City of Aberdeen)
Edzell Castle
Eskside House (Mr. & Mrs. Neil Hynd)
Finlaystone House (Mr. & Mrs. George MacMillan)
Forbes Lodge (Lady Maryoth Hay)
Georgian House (National Trust for Scotland)
Greywalls (Mr. & Mrs. Giles Weaver)
Haddo House (National Trust for Scotland)
High Coodham (Jean, Countess of Donoughmore)
Manderston (Mr. & Mrs. Adrian Palmer)
Mellerstain (Lord Binning)

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Where to cut? A team of experts and participants from the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society workshop enthusiastically plunge into their work at the Azalea Garden in Fairmount Park.

Milne Garden (Captain & Mrs.
David Hotham)
Newton House (Mr. & Mrs.
Christopher Cox)
Pitmedden (National Trust for
Scotland)
The Royal Botanic Garden,
Edinburgh
Tynninghame (Earl & Countess of
Haddington)
Williamston House (Commander
& Mrs. M. S. L. Burnett)

Workshops, Classes, Lectures

Basic Landscape Design

(3 sessions)
Patricia Schrieber
Paul Wolfinger

Basketry (6 sessions)

Susan Schnur

Decorations from Weeds, Nuts and Cones

Ruth Flounders
Frank Kieser

Flower Arranging: Three Styles

Barbara Cramer*
Sarah C. Z. Groome
Bernice Makin

Garden Tapestry: Espalier at Chanticleer

Howard Holden

Gardener's View of an African Safari

Charles W. Rogers, Jr.

Green Wreath Workshop

Joe Kerwin

Greenhouse Maintenance at Weldon Nursery

William F. Delafield, Jr.

History of the Tree in Art

Peter Ashton

Italian Gardens and Cloisters

Patricia Tyson

Light Gardening Workshop

Joe Kerwin

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Maine Gardens

Margaret P. Bowditch

Oriental Vegetables

Mona Gold

Perennials and Their Uses

Frederick McGourty, Jr.

Photography Seminar

Dick Keen

Planning a Perennial Garden

(3 sessions)
Jane Lennon

Plant Hunting from Andes to Amazon

Anthony Huxley

Propagation from Seeds

Roxie Gevjan

Propagation: Budding and Grafting

Alan Slack

Propagation: Houseplants from Cuttings

Margaret P. Bowditch
Joanne C. Marano



Three sessions, three hours long permitted the nec each.

Propagation: Wildflowers from Seed

Richard J. Both
F. M. Mooberry
John Feliciani

Propagation: Softwood Cuttings

Lynn Lamstein

Pruning Demonstration at the Azalea Garden

Patricia Schrieber
Joe Kerwin

Renewing a Perennial Garden

Ann McPhail
Joe Kerwin

Sowing and Dividing Perennials

Frederick McGourty, Jr.

Topiary Techniques, Meadowbrook Farm

Nancy Story

Vegetable Panel

Richard J. Both
Nancy Greenwood
Jane Pepper
John Swan
Rosemarie Vassalluzzo

Writing Course (4 sessions)

Jean Byrne

Elaine Rose

Symposia

Arrangement Classes
Sally Humphreys
Anne Letter
Robin Lippincott
Joly Stewart
Carolyn Waite
Horticultural Classes
John L. Leonard
John W. Story
Susan P. Wilmerding

Special Events

Annual Plant Give-Away
Holiday Open House and
Candlelight Stroll
156th Annual Meeting
Members' Evening: Philadelphia
Flower Show
Members' Preview – Harvest Show
Members' Preview – Philadelphia
Flower Show
New Members Open House

Members Committee

Mary Disston, *Chair*
Frances Cullen
Ruby Beckett
Elizabeth C. Bennett
Margaret P. Bowditch
Carter Dorrance
Louise Harrity
Sally Reath
Harriett S. Richards

Organizations Meeting at PHS during the Year

City Parks Association
Friends of Laurel Hill Cemetery
Keystone Chapter of African Violet
Society
Middle Atlantic Regional Lily Group
Pennsylvania Bonsai Society
Philadelphia Indoor Light
Gardening Society of America
Philadelphia Society for Promoting
Agriculture



basket weavers to complete three baskets



HEADQUARTERS EXHIBITS



Christmas at the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society.

Summer visitors to PHS took a long look at horticultural history, going back about 400 million years, in "Focus on Fossils," a special summer exhibit staged in cooperation with the Delaware Valley Paleontological Society. Hundreds of the finest plant fossil specimens in the area were on display.

The Society returned to the competitive holiday show in 1983. "In the Spirit" proved educational for exhibitor and visitor alike. Several first time exhibitors walked away with top prizes for fireplace mantles, wreaths and trees depicting a holiday song.

Exhibits during the year included:

May - June

Seeds

June - August

Focus on Fossils

September - October

100 Views of a Japanese Garden

October - November

A Child's Garden

December

In the Spirit

January - February

Joanne Isaac Etchings

March

The Orient Expressed

April - May

Fish-Flora-Fauna/Watercolors



THE GARDENS AT PHS

The Society's kitchen, perennial and 18th century gardens had an up and down season this past year with a very wet spring and a hot and dry summer. Yet, on the whole, the garden with the efforts of its tireless volunteers looked impeccable throughout the growing season. The 18th century garden with its bright display of red/pink geraniums, red, pink and white nicotiana, pink begonias, blue ageratum and purple salvia made a brilliant display for the many visitors who came into Independence National Historical Park for snapshots of their trip to Philadelphia.

The intricate care of the gardens was provided each Wednesday from April through October by a

superb group of amateur horticulturists who plant, weed, deadhead, fertilize and water. They work above and beyond the call of duty, answering plant questions, giving directions and often introducing visitors to the many facets of the Society and the surrounding community.

Garden Volunteers

Grace M. Cole
Edward A. Doelp
Lily G. Glazer
Johanna Goedel
Helen Kaufman
Matthew H. McConnell
Ann McPhail
Harriett S. Richards
Frances Vollmer



Workers assemble the new greenhouse behind the Society's headquarters on Walnut Street.



PUBLIC INFORMATION



Mrs. W. Wilson Goode dedicates Garden of the Cities at 19th and Dickinson in honor of the U.S. Conference of Mayors.

As early as mid-February the airwaves and newspapers across the country were reporting news of the 1984 Philadelphia Flower Show. Bob Thompson, host of Victory Garden, featured the Show on his weekly PBS program, and NBC's Today Show paid a visit for the second year. Hundreds of newspapers locally and nationally carried stories of our local exhibitors as well as about our exhibitors from Japan, South Korea, Los Angeles and Washington, DC. Articles printed in the Philadelphia *Inquirer* included topics ranging from John Naka, renowned bonsai exhibitor from California, to an interview with the Show designer. Articles about the Show were featured in *The New York Times*, *Washington Post*, *Wall Street Journal* and *House and Garden*. KYW Newsradio garden correspondent, Jack Eden, spent Show week answering visitors' questions in the trade area interspersed with frequent live broadcasts.

In June, mayors, spouses and city officials attending the 52nd Annual U.S. Conference of Mayors in Philadelphia took a tour of Philadelphia Green projects. News crews from local television stations as well as national press outlets sent the word over the wire and through the communities that Philadelphia Green staff members are available for consulting to cities across the nation.

Regularly, the Society offers advice on gardening through Jane Pepper's Sunday column in the Philadelphia *Inquirer* and through Ed Lindemann's television spot of WPVI's Captain Noah Show for children.

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COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Philadelphia Green

Throughout Philadelphia's neighborhoods last year, the greening movement tackled vacant lots and barren streets as community groups initiated 142 new greening projects sponsored by Philadelphia Green. More than 3½ acres of land were brought under cultivation as vegetable gardens, sitting gardens and lot improvement projects. Neighbors planted 110 street trees and more than 2,000 wine barrels, cement planters and window boxes with flowers and shrubs, lining 70 streets. These successful projects bring the total of ongoing greening efforts sponsored by the Society over the last 10 years to almost 900.

As part of its national outreach program Philadelphia Green staff have consulted with agencies in the development of Columbia Green (South Carolina) and the Greening of Wilmington, and similar projects in Trenton, Baltimore and Cincinnati during the year.

Green Countrie Townes, a cooperative effort between Philadelphia Green and various community groups, now total four.

- West Hagert Street of North Philadelphia, completed in 1982, is an 8-block area.
- Point Breeze, an 88-block neighborhood in South Philadelphia, was dedicated in August, 1983. A lively celebration took place in the Wedding Garden, complete with a gazebo and wrought iron fence. This spring 20 new groups in Point Breeze joined the

program.

- West Shore neighbors in Southwest Philadelphia are completing their greening strategy for 1985. The planting highlight in this 10-block area is the terraced hillside vegetable garden along the Schuylkill River crowned by a landscaped sitting garden at the foot of Paschall Avenue.
- Francisville Greene Countrie Towne in North Philadelphia along the old Fairmount Avenue prison includes 30 blocks of dedicated gardeners. The neighborhood already sports several community vegetable gardens and lovely private side yards on once vacant lots. In spring 300 wine barrels were planted with shrubs and flowers to kick off this two-year project.

Services and Events

The services and events noted below helps to maintain the greening momentum and further develop a city-wide gardeners' network. Almost 100 community groups participated in the annual Plant Sale and Garden Supplies Service held this spring. Christmas and winter workshops and spring on-site sessions on perennials, pruning, and garden maintenance attracted gardeners from all over the city.

Harvest Show

In spite of a summer drought, 45 community groups made 600 entries in the community gardens competitive classes. The community gardens sweepstakes winners



Visitors join in celebrating the completion of Point Breeze Greene Countrie Towne.

won a trip to a local garden center to select fruit trees and shrubs.

Recognition Dinner

Four hundred party-goers attended the annual Recognition Dinner. Alta Felton, Dorothy Riesdorff, Florie Dotson and Edith Wagner all received Green Thumb of the Year Awards. U.S. Congressman William Gray lauded gardeners for their significant contributions toward rebuilding their communities.

The Flower Show

The Philadelphia Green Advisory Board, the City Gardens Contest Committee and staff staged "The Many Faces of the City Gardens Contest" at the 1984 Flower Show. Highlighting the exhibit were large blowup photographs showing the forms of gardens and the ethnic mix of gardeners across the city.



Food and Agriculture Conference

In January the Society, The Penn State University/Cooperative Extension Service Urban Gardening Program, The University of Pennsylvania Department of Architecture and Girard Bank co-sponsored "The Greening of Philadelphia's Neighborhoods" exhibit and Conference "Food and Agriculture: A Development Path for Philadelphia." Mayor W. Wilson Goode welcomed the 125 participants who explored the need

to strengthen a regional food system and to preserve open space for gardening and recreational activities.

The Food and Agriculture Task Force, formed from the Conference with the City administration's endorsement, is tackling these issues, and the Society is helping the task force develop policies on the management of community open space.

Garden Interns

Over the past year, 17 men and women, aged 18 to 55, participated as interns in two series of classes. They were hired on a part-time basis for the training program sponsored in part by SmithKline Beckman Corporation. The interns, drawn from the communities, help the staff in the spring and fall to set

up new gardening projects. During the summer, they work in teams to visit the independent greening groups, offering encouragement and resources.

Green the School Grounds Program

Three Philadelphia public schools that won the 1983 design



At the Society's Harvest Show, Joseph K. K. Poon exuberantly encourages visitors to carve fanciful vegetable garnishes.

and proposal competition completed their planting projects during this school year. Students and teachers from Germantown High School, the High School for International Affairs, and Lankenau Motivation Center attended workshops conducted by staff and then carried out their landscaping schemes. The 1984 competition drew 10 applications from local schools, and the proposals from Sharwood Elementary, Gompers Elementary and Benjamin Franklin High School were selected as the best. Students and teachers from those schools attended an orientation meeting at the Society and follow-up design workshops at each school. Plantings have been scheduled for fall 1984.

The Green the School Grounds committee, comprised of teachers from schools who have participated in the program, devised a Maintenance Contest for all previous winners as an incentive to continue their horticultural activities. A fall awards reception at the Society recognized the winning efforts of six schools. The committee also sponsored a spring workshop on plant propagation using the facilities at Lincoln High School's Horticultural Department. Thirty enthusiastic teachers and students from eight schools attended. The committee plans to sponsor more such activities next year.

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City Gardens Contest

Six mayoral candidates met at the Garden of Eatin' in Point Breeze to plant a Mayors' orchard in a non-partisan endorsement and kick-off to the 1983 City Gardens Contest, which attracted a record 586 entries, later judged by 390 judges. At the gala reception and the Awards Ceremony, attended by 400 in September at the Port of History Museum, contest chair Herb Clarke presented 125 awards to winners in 10 categories. Two special "Gardener of the Year" awards were presented to Louise Werts, an 85-year-old garden organizer in North Philadelphia who has converted her once barren street into a gardening oasis; and to Joseph Richardson, wheelchair-bound gardener who gardens in raised beds. A generous contribution from Sun Company, Inc. helped to support this

City Gardens Contest – First Place Winners – 1983

Philadelphia Green Community Gardens

Community Vegetable Gardens

Small garden

Lillie Singleton, *Chair*
 Callowhill & Robinson Sts.

Mid-size garden

Ruth Flounders, *Chair*
 4310-14 Sansom St.

Large garden

Viola Harding, *Chair*
 19th & Cambria Sts.

Sitting Garden

Geraldine Cade, *Chair*
 2026 W. Glenwood Ave.

Pocket Park

Amanda Ferguson, *Chair*
 2400 N. Colorado St.

Greenest Block in Town

John Castagno, *Chair*
 100 block of Snyder Ave.

Garden Block

Anna Davis, *Chair*
1400 S. Ringgold St.

Community Vegetable Garden – 1st Year

Harold Smith, *Chair*
1925-33 West Venango St.

Individual Gardens**Individual Vegetable**

Large (tie)

Ernest Meyer, Fox Chase
Amos Rogers, Germantown

Small

William Coppens, Frankford

Individual Container Garden (tie)

Alma Neas Nelson, Art Museum
Area

Barbara Truman, Cobbs Creek

Individual Flower Garden

Very Small

Jerry Kohut, Mayfair

Mid-size

Helen Chatelain, Hunting Park

Large (tie)

Wally Kullman, Fox Chase
Eugene Szymkowiak, Rhawnhurst

Children's Garden

Heather Logan
West Hagert Penn Green Countrie
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Window boxes, barrel and tire urn gardens, container grown trees are all part of the Society's Philadelphia Green program.



PREVIEW DINNER

New challenges face the Preview Dinner Committee each year and 1984 was no exception. With Elise Carr at the helm, the committee produced a gala evening for guests attending the opening dinner for the 1984 Philadelphia Flower Show.

Enhancing the Show's theme of "A Trip to the Orient," 2,250 guests were served oriental hors d'oeuvres during the cocktail hour while viewing the beautiful exhibits. Dinner, catered by ARA Services, Inc., was served to 1,948 guests. Centerpieces of amaryllis in bamboo containers were surrounded by the soft lighting of votive candles.

The dinner, one of Philadelphia's most popular events, provides essential financial support to help the Society further its community outreach activities.

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A garland of flowers is cut to open the Philadelphia Flower Show at the Preview Dinner. (Left to right) Jane G. Pepper, Rab and Mayor Kirkman Findley (Columbia, South Carolina) and Velma and Mayor W. Wilson Goode of Philadelphia.



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We are pleased to report the Society experienced another successful year. As in past years, our revenues exceeded our expenditures, although not to the degree of the prior year. Revenues and expenditures are set forth in the statement of our Operating Fund Income set forth below.

The audit report for the year ended June 30, 1984, presented by the Society's auditors, Main Hurdman, was reviewed and accepted. Excerpts shown below are included in the complete report available for inspection at the Society's office.

During the year, the committee met periodically with a representative of the Mellon Bank, the Society's investment advisor, and manager of our various investment portfolios including the Elizabeth Shaffer Trust. Income from these portfolios exceeded comparable income of the prior year. The committee also reviewed the investment portfolio of the Society's Pension Plan with representatives from the Philadelphia National Bank.

A transfer of \$75,000 from the Operating Account to the Investment Advisory Account was recommended and accepted by Council in June, 1984.

THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY STATEMENT OF FUND BALANCES Years Ended June 30, 1984 and 1983

	Operating Fund		Endowment Funds		Total
	Undesignated	Designated	Unrestricted	Restricted	
Balance, June 30, 1982	\$382,451	\$100,000	\$1,054,829	\$35,353	\$1,572,633
Excess of operating fund revenue over expenses	369,066				369,066
Gain on sale of investments			20,143		20,143
Life membership dues			1,000		1,000
Interfund transfers	(250,000)		250,000		
Balance, June 30, 1983	501,517	100,000	1,325,972	35,353	1,962,842
Excess of operating fund revenue over expenses	124,954				124,954
Loss on sale of investments			(606)		(606)
Interfund transfers: Council authorized	(75,000)		75,000		
Other	1,000		(16,465)	15,465	
Balance, June 30, 1984	<u>\$552,471</u>	<u>\$100,000</u>	<u>\$1,383,901</u>	<u>\$50,818</u>	<u>\$2,087,190</u>

STATEMENT OF OPERATING FUND INCOME
Years Ended June 30, 1984 and 1983

	<u>1984</u>	<u>1983</u>
Operating revenue:		
Membership dues	\$ 185,764	\$ 165,844
Designated contributions	25,815	27,450
Flower Show	1,387,641	1,389,859
Preview dinner	282,376	265,725
Fees and sales	41,205	43,007
Membership and other activities	105,423	26,783
Grant income	<u>120,125</u>	<u>125,000</u>
	<u>2,148,349</u>	<u>2,043,668</u>
Operating expenses:		
Salaries	313,131	295,743
Other employee expenses	81,113	76,630
Building maintenance and utilities	33,289	38,189
Depreciation and amortization	14,535	11,221
Administrative supplies and expense	<u>78,962</u>	<u>77,597</u>
	521,030	499,380
Less allocation of overhead to Flower Show	<u>(246,000)</u>	<u>(230,000)</u>
	275,030	269,380
Philadelphia Green	263,153	191,065
Other community service projects	35,885	17,665
Publications	136,086	113,494
Flower Show, including allocation of overhead	1,179,945	997,756
Preview Dinner	110,824	100,944
Library and educational programs	20,058	19,450
Membership and other activities	162,070	111,778
Special projects	<u>36,614</u>	<u>29,691</u>
	<u>2,219,665</u>	<u>1,851,223</u>
Income (loss) from operations	<u>(71,316)</u>	<u>192,445</u>
Non-operating revenue:		
Invested funds and savings accounts	150,892	126,586
Schaffer Trust	27,944	24,744
Unrestricted contributions	<u>17,434</u>	<u>25,291</u>
	<u>196,270</u>	<u>176,621</u>
Excess of revenue over expenses	<u>\$ 124,954</u>	<u>\$ 369,066</u>

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The library staff
takes a step up
to the new high
rise shelving. ▶

**assumed part-time position, Jan. 1, 1984

*part-time





Painting pumpkins and face painting absorb children at the Harvest Show's Children's Activity Tent.



YEARBOOK '85

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society



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July 1, 1984 to June 30, 1985

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The purposes of the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society are: to collect and disseminate information about horticulture; to inspire a taste for horticultural knowledge; and to make that knowledge available to as many people as possible.



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Front cover: Old Bridge Garden, the J. Franklin Styer Nurseries exhibit at the 1985 Philadelphia Flower Show.
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◀ Two-year-old Bowman Wheeler and his father Sam seem to be considering how many pies Mighty Pumpkin will yield. (1984 Harvest Show)



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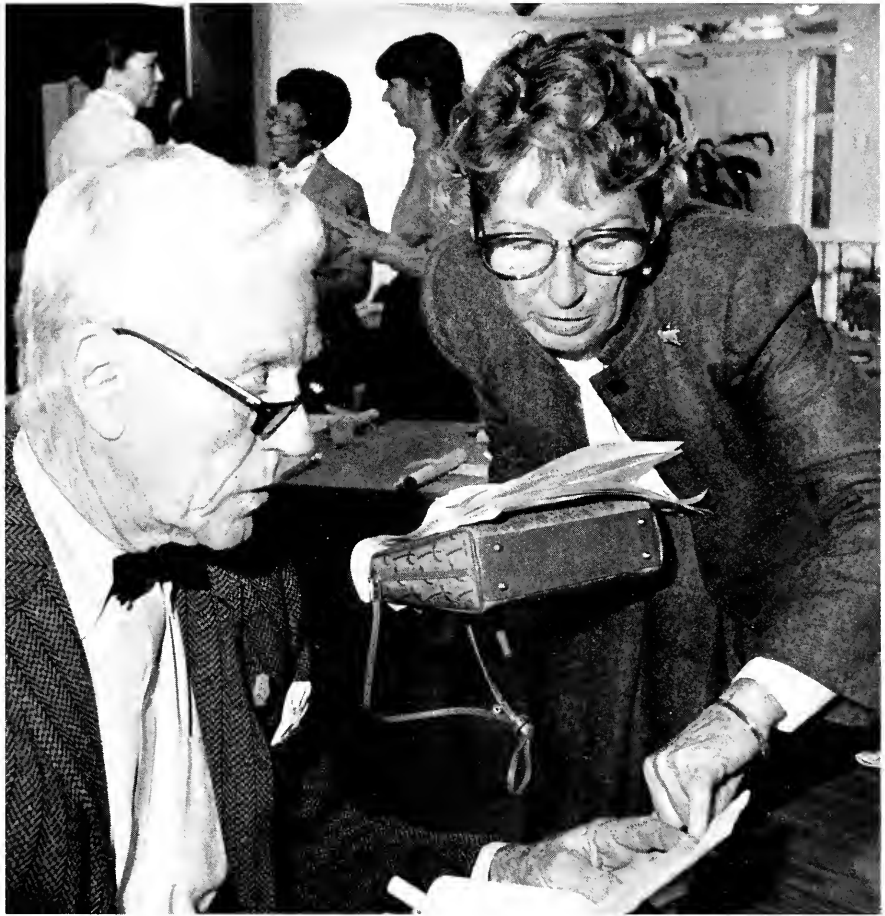
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The Chair of the Council and the President serve *ex-officio* on all committees.



Council members
J. Liddon Pennock Jr.
and Mary Hyndman
caucus before a meeting.



CHAIR'S REPORT



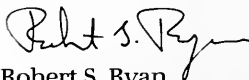
The past year was one of progress for The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society. A large number of activities and events were offered to PHS members and the community. The Philadelphia Flower Show and the Preview Dinner were outstanding successes under the leadership of Mary Hyndman and Thacher Brown, and Philadelphia Green, a beneficiary of these events, continues to expand its programs within the City. We owe a vote of thanks to all who have worked so hard on PHS's behalf and especially to the outgoing chair, Henry Reichner, whose leadership during the past few years has nurtured steady progress.

The Flower Show highlights the sources of the Society's strengths. The Show could not exist in its present form if the Society followed a pyramidal structure, with all direction coming from the top. Instead, it is the result of a blend of the efforts of a devoted staff, of skilled commercial growers, and of thousands of dedicated volunteers who grow plants, run or serve on the many committees, and provide the necessary support at the Show itself. All of this activity must be

planned, organized and coordinated, but it succeeds only because so many different individuals are personally committed to achieve the final result: a Flower Show that is a credit to Philadelphia and to the Society. The key to the future success of your Society will be its ability to maintain this special blend of enthusiasm and talents.

As Henry Reichner noted in last year's report, PHS is reevaluating its purposes and operations. The long-range plan adopted in 1984 is being implemented with the development of shorter-range plans. This planning serves to review the Society's operations, to ensure that we are doing the right things in the right way, and to identify new areas of activity for PHS. The experience of the last 25 years shows that the willingness to venture into new fields strengthens the Society, if each activity is carefully selected, well managed and serves a real need. The planning process of the next year should result in ideas that will permit the Society to continue along this course.

Finally, it is appropriate to note that January saw Jane Pepper's well-earned promotion to the post of president. This represents the last step in the transition from the tenure of Ernesta Ballard, who gave the Society such superb leadership for so many years, aided by a number of skilled chairpersons.


Robert S. Ryan
Chair



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

It would be easy to assume, despite all the activity, that nothing changes much from one year to the next at the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, with ongoing efforts such as three shows, six issues of *Green Scene*, 11 issues of the *News*, an appropriate number of membership activities, calls on the Hotline, awards given, books borrowed from the library and a blossoming of community outreach programs. In reality, one year at PHS never mirrors another.

This year the Flower Show presented us with the opportunity to exchange concepts and dreams with our colleagues in the British gardening fraternity. And as part of our renewed rental agreement with the City, we undertook to plant and maintain the green areas around the Philadelphia Civic Center where we hold the Show. In the publications department we made changes in printers and designers that brought in new talents with fresh ideas and challenges. And in the community outreach department, Philadelphia Green staff members carried out a thorough evaluation of their program to ensure its continuing relevance to the Society's goals and to Philadelphia's residents.

There were firsts this year too, such as the perennials conference we co-sponsored last October with the Cooperative Extension Service, The Pennsylvania State University, The Pennsylvania Nurserymen's Association, and the Scott Horticultural Foundation at Swarthmore College. The Society also played a lead role in June in welcoming 300

members of the American Association of Botanical Gardens and Arboreta to the Delaware Valley.

In all departments, staff, committee and Society members participated in the evolution of our long-range plan. At this stage, with a plan part-way to completion, it's possible to enjoy the luxury of reflection and evaluation, and to savor the commitment of all parties for their Society. It's a precious entity, with a distinguished past and great hopes for the future.

I greatly appreciate the support of the Council, of our superb staff and of course, of our members, who make everything possible. Your involvement this year has been essential to our success and we look forward to your participation in the year ahead.

Jane Pepper

Jane G. Pepper
President





MEMBERSHIP



Service with a smile from PHS volunteer Herb Clarke. Flower Show vice chair Clarke greets guests at the Show's Awards luncheon.

New Life Members

Susan H. Horsey
Robert L. McNeil, Jr.
J. Folsom Paul

This was a banner year for membership with 7,468 members as of June 1985. During the year 1,618 new members joined PHS; 309 of whom signed up at the Flower Show. We held an open house in June to welcome new members and to thank Flower Show membership booth volunteers.

Our first direct-mail campaign, launched in the fall, attracted 570 new members. We are very grateful to other local non-profit organiza-

tions, to nurseries and landscape contractors, and to those garden clubs who supplied names for the campaign and to Art Kaplan, promotion manager, Philadelphia *Inquirer*, who helped put the campaign together. Art donated his time and expertise through Business Volunteers for the Arts.

Among the numerous registration events planned for PHS members, many programs on herbs were scheduled as part of our "Celebration of Herbs." We thank the Philadelphia Unit of the Herb Society of America for their help in planning and co-sponsoring these events.

Each year we are overwhelmed

by the generosity and hospitality of gardeners at home and abroad who open their gardens for the enjoyment of our members. Our Spring Garden Visits, one of our most popular events, featured a variety of gardens from large estates to extraordinary small gardens in April, May, and June. Far from home, PHS members enjoyed four days of private garden visits in Maine in August. In May, our members spent 14 days exploring gardens in Italy as another PHS group headed north to enjoy New England gardens for four days.

The Members Committee assumes an active role in PHS activities and welcomes suggestions for classes, workshops, field trips, and special events.

Members Committee

Mary Disston, *Chair*
RUBY BECKETT
FRAN BORIE
Margaret P. Bowditch
D. J. Brosius
Carter Dorrance
Louise Harrity
Mary Hopkins
Sylvia Lin
Harriett S. Richards
Alan P. Slack

Special Events

Annual Plant Give-Away
Holiday Open House and
Candlelight Stroll
Junior Show
156th Annual Meeting
Members Preview - Harvest Show
Members Preview - Philadelphia
Flower Show
New Members Open House

Field Trips

Arboretum of the Barnes Foundation (Spring and Fall)

John Bartram's Garden
A Day in Swarthmore
Duke Gardens and Princeton Art Museum
Georgetown Garden Tour
National Herb Garden, White House, Washington, DC
N.J. Pine Barrens
Winterthur, Longwood and Brandywine – Holiday Decorations

Workshops, Classes, Lectures

The American Woman's Garden
Ellen Samuels

Animal Topiary
Betsy Nutt

Basic Bonsai
Dorothy S. Young

Basketry Workshops
Susan Schnur

Begonias
Mildred Thompson

Chelsea Physic Garden, Past and Present
Allen P. Patterson

Classical Gardens – Their Influence on Great Gardens of the World
Mary Hopkins

Container Gardening
Margaret P. Bowditch

Contemporary Flower Arranging (3 sessions)
Bernice Makin

Discovering Perennials for Informal Gardens
Charles O. Cresson

English Trough Construction
Alan Slack

Fairmount Park and Its Master Plan
Ernesta D. Ballard

Flower Arranging for Enjoyment (2 sessions)
Kate Swope

continued



Students from the Walter Biddle High School of Agricultural Science race against the clock to set up Junior Show exhibits before opening.

Forcing Bulbs

Ed Lindemann

The Garden of Chinese Scholars

Edwin Morris

Gardens of the Scottish National Trust

William Cuthbert

Garden Tapestry: Espalier at Chanticleer

Howard Holden

Green Scene Writing Course

Jean Byrne

Elaine Rose

Green Wreath Workshops

Peggy Devine

Joe Kerwin

Harvesting Herbs

Holly Shimizu

Herbs – Legends and History

Bertha P. Reppert

House Plants from Cuttings

Joanne C. Marano

Margaret P. Bowditch

Ikebana Workshops

Bernice Makin

Mary Witkowski

Helen Flaig

In Defense of Annuals

Viola Anders

The Lavish Radish

Perri Dash

Members Evening at Meadowbrook Farm

Mr. & Mrs. J. Liddon Pennock, Jr.

The National Herb Garden

Holly Shimizu

Off the Garden Path – History of English Gardens

Elizabeth P. McLean

Orchids

John Leonard

Planning a Perennial Garden

(3 sessions)

Jane Lennon

Plant Clinic

Ed Lindemann

Joe Kerwin

Photography Seminar

Dick Keen

Potpourri

Rosella Mathieu

Pruning Demonstration in Fairmount Park Azalea Garden

Patricia Schrieber

Joe Kerwin

Redesigning for Low Maintenance

Patricia Schrieber
Paul Wolfinger

The Romance of Italian Gardens

Mary Hopkins

Seed Propagation

Roxie Gevjan

Shakespeare and His Garden

Mary Carmel Sullivan

Small Fruits for the Home

Gardener

Tom Darlington
John Gyer

Year-Round Vegetable Gardening

Nancy Greenwood
Jane Pepper

Garden Visits

Italian Gardens

American Academy
Boboli Gardens
Castel Bellos Guardo
Gardens of Ninfa
Isola Bella
Il Pizzo
Sir Peter & Lady Smithers' Garden
(Vico Morcote, Switzerland)
Vatican Gardens
Villa Adriana
Villa Aldobrandini
Villa d'Este
Villa Farnese
Villa Favorita (Switzerland)
Villa Gamberaia
Villa Garzoni
Villa Giulia
Villa I Collozzi
Villa I Tatti
Villa Lante
Villa Madama
Villa Mansi
Villa Pietra
Villa Taranto
Villa Taverna

Maine Gardens

Mr. & Mrs. Douglas Auchincloss
Mrs. W. Vincent Astor

Mr. & Mrs. J. Hampton Barnes
Mr. & Mrs. W. W. Frazier
Mrs. Thomas S. Gates
Mrs. Polk Guest
Mrs. E. Kenneth Jenkins
Mrs. Henry Parish
Abby Aldrich Rockefeller Garden
Mr. & Mrs. David Scull
Mrs. Amory Thorndike
Thuja Gardens
Wild Gardens of Acadia

New England Gardens

Arnold Arboretum
Mr. Geoffrey Charlesworth,
Mr. Norman Singer
Mr. Edward Childs
Mr. & Mrs. H. Lincoln Foster
Garden in the Woods
Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum
Admiral & Mrs. Harry Hull
Long Hill
Mr. & Mrs. Donald G. Parrot
Mr. & Mrs. Frederick McGourty, Jr.

Organizations Meeting at PHS During the Year

John Bartram Association
English Speaking Union, Junior
Committee
Friends of Laurel Hill Cemetery
Greater Philadelphia Cultural
Alliance
Keystone Chapter of African Violet
Society
Middle Atlantic Regional Lily Group
National Council for Therapy and
Rehabilitation through Horticulture
Pan African Studies
Pennsylvania Bonsai Society
Philadelphia Indoor Light
Gardening Society of America
Philadelphia Society for Promoting
Agriculture
University of Pennsylvania, College
of General Studies, Special
Programs
Weeders Garden Club
World Affairs Council Forum 3



LIBRARY

The Library continues to serve the horticultural community in a number of ways. Members borrowed 1,986 books in person and 514 by mail. The American Rock Garden Society and American Bonsai Society together borrowed 420 books through their lending agreements with our Library. Garden clubs and individuals rented 112 slide programs and researchers used 72 books from the Pennsylvania and Special collections. Three hundred and eighteen new books were added this year to the collection. Library visitors now have ready access to some 400 current seed and nursery catalogs thanks to the organizing skills of volunteer Nat Nelson, while the old catalog collection is kept accessible by Frances B. Gibson's generous donation of her time and talents.

Horticultural Hotline

Nineteen expert gardeners answered the 922-8043 phone number 2,051 times this year. They volunteer a morning each month to this service. Between 9:30 and 12:00 Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, these volunteers tackle questions ranging from "I put mayonnaise on my jade tree leaves: why are they dropping?" to "When is it legal to water my lawn?" To see another side of the horticultural world Hotline volunteers enjoyed an October outing in New Jersey watching the Darlington cranberry harvest in New Lisbon and visiting the Tak Moriuchi family's orchards in Morrisville. In June a trip to the Poconos gave Hotliners a look at a new Nature Conservancy holding,

the Tannersville Bog and an introduction to stream ecology at McMichael's creek.

Hotline Volunteers

Richard J. Both
Kathie Buchanan
Jane J. Carter
George R. Clark
Alice M. Doering
Martha Fisher
Elinor Goff
Harriett B. Green
Nancy Greenwood
Tam Hartell
Erich Meitzner
Nathalie Nelson
Dot Plyler
Jen Porter
Martha Roberts
Alan P. Slack
Irene Slater
Ana D. Thompson
L. Wilbur Zimmerman

The alternate year book and print sale held on September 14 brought in \$3,479.

Friends of the Library enjoyed an evening with Ellen Samuels, co-author with Rosemary Verey of *The American Woman's Garden*. Contributions from 133 donors totalled \$4,326 and are funding restoration projects and special purchases. Among these are *Poor Will's Almanac for the year of our Lord, 1787*, Philadelphia; and Samuel Stearns, *The American Herbal*, Boston, Thomas & Thomas, 1801.

Gifts

Elizabeth Farley gave to the Pennsylvania Collection Samuel R. Gummere's *Introductory observa-*

tions and definitions in Botany, Philadelphia, Kimber & Sharpless, 1829 and Coultas, *Principles of Botany*, Philadelphia, King & Baird, 1854. PHS membership records from the 1880's found during the demolition of the McCrae house were saved by the National Park Service and given to the Library. The families of Mrs. Sidney Keith and Lois W. Paul have given us choice books from these members' libraries.

Major gifts of books or services

Charles D. Allen
Charlotte and Raul Betancourt
Kerlin Grant
Dorothy P. Keith
Kitty Lapp
Sarah Madeira

Elizabeth P. McLean
McFarland Landscape Services, Inc.
Lois W. Paul *
Elisabeth Robertson
Ann Newlin Thompson
*deceased

Library Committee

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Joan Z. Brinton
George R. Clark
Elizabeth Farley
George M. Harding
Kitty Lapp
Elizabeth P. McLean
Sandra K. Myers
Carol R. Palmer
Elisabeth Robertson
Elizabeth C. Walker
Dorothy S. Young
L. Wilbur Zimmerman



Hotline volunteers learn about stream ecology and acid rain on an outing to the Pohoqualine Fishing Club in the Pocono Mountains.



PUBLICATIONS

Green Scene: Part of the pleasure of publishing a regional magazine is that we can watch our gardening neighbors develop, both as gardeners and writers. Many of our favorite writers continued to appear in *Green Scene*, and some excellent new ones joined us this year. We published 63 stories in the past year.

One of our writers, Jeff Ball, published a book on vegetable gardening this year and will be teaming up with another *Green Scene* author, Charles Cresson, to do a book on flower gardening. Jane Lennon, a PHS lecturer and author, is also working on a book about country life for children. Soon to be published gardener Tam Hartell found her way to *Green Scene* via the *Sunday New York Times* gardening section as a first time writer, and *Green Scene* writer Erica Glasener conversely found her way to the *Sunday New York Times* gardening section. Our greatest pride is that these people are gardeners first and writers second, and it is for their gardening skill and knowledge that they are primarily acknowledged.

For the second year the Society ran a workshop for people interested in writing for *Green Scene*. We're proud of our alumni; several have written for *Green Scene*, one for a national newspaper and one is working on a book.

The staff has been working on the 13-year-index of stories and authors for distribution to interested members and libraries.

With much regret on our part, Judson Press, an arm of the American Baptist Convention, closed its doors this year. They've printed

Green Scene since its first issue in 1972; Havertown Printing now prints *Green Scene*.

During the year we were happy to welcome to our group subscribers the 140 principal donors to Reeves Reed Arboretum (of the City of Summit, NJ). By the end of our fiscal year, PHS, through other horticultural organizations, listed 2,167 subscribers, which brings our total distribution to more than 11,000 copies.

Flower Show Program: The program sellers ran out of this year's elegant, eye-catching programs the day before the Show ended. Our disappointed customers' cries of dismay have ensured a more optimistic press run next year. The handsome new ads, several in color, as well as the increased editorial color coverage, enable us to turn out a more sophisticated product than in the past.

The Yearbook: This 44-page document tells only a small part of the story of our energetic, generous members and their activities. The *Yearbook* remains our record for posterity; it tells our contributors, individual and corporate, where their money goes; it says thank you to members for all their gifts of time, wisdom, energy, plants and whatever else they've given. And finally, the *Yearbook* tells the world who the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society is and what we do.

PHS News: Whether reporting on the search for a repellent for the devastating elm bark beetle or a workshop on basket weaving, the Society through its newsletter reaches out to the membership to encourage participation in the lively happenings at PHS.

Committee

Adele G. Greenfield, *Chair*
Judy Foley, *Vice Chair*
Kathryn S. Andersen
Darrel Apps
Anne S. Cunningham
Charles W. Heuser
Natalie Kempner
James J. McKeehen
L. Wilbur Zimmerman



You wouldn't know from their serious expressions at the January exhibitors' meeting that Nancy and Bill Giangulio and Leroy LaBold were planning extravagantly light-hearted exhibits for the 1985 Philadelphia Flower Show.



AWARDS

The Awards Committee, given the challenge each year of finding those individuals who rank among the very best in horticulture, lost a close friend when Committee member Lois W. Paul died in February. Lois chaired the major awards subcommittee, which this year chose the following recipients for PHS's most distinguished awards.

Major Awards

1984 Distinguished Achievement Medal – Polly Hill

1984 Certificates of Merit –
F. M. Mooberry
Mildred and Edward Thompson

1985 Junior Horticulturist Award – Cheryl D. Phillips,
W. B. Saul High School

J. Franklin Styer Award of Garden Merit

The evaluators awarded the following entries Certificates of Preliminary Commendation, which allows the introducer to enter the plant for judging on its exceptional garden merit.

Clematis hybrid Gabrielle
Clematis hybrid Starfish
Itea virginica
Zelkova serrata 'Green Vase'

Styer Award Committee

Richard W. Lighty, *Chair*
Paul W. Meyer

Evaluators

Darrel Apps
Jared Berd
James E. Cross
Tom Dilatush
William H. Frederick, Jr.
William Heyser

Steve Hutton
Philip Normandy
Sally Reath
Bradshaw Snipes
J. Franklin Styer
Charles Zafonte
Judith Zuk

Flower Show Awards 1985 Philadelphia Flower Show

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society Flower Show Award for the Best in Show in the following categories:

Commercial

Aesthetic - *Rose Valley Nurseries*
Display - *Waldor Orchids*
Education - *Philadelphia Electric Company*

Non-Profit

Display - *Zoological Society of Philadelphia*
Education - *Penn State University Extension Service*

The Wilkinson Sword Award for the commercial exhibit that best exemplifies the horticultural traditions of Great Britain preserved by American gardeners, using a display incorporating plants and accessories: *Gale Nurseries of Gwynedd, Pa.*

The Grand Sweepstakes Award for the individual accumulating the greatest number of points in all competitive sections of the Show: *Rosemarie Vassaluzzo*

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society Horticultural Sweepstakes Trophy for the individual accumulating the greatest number of points in the Horticultural Classes: *Sylvia Lin*

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society Horticultural Sweepstakes Award for the individual runner-up in the Horticultural Classes: *Pamela Copeland*

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society Flower Arranging Sweepstakes Trophy for the individual accumulating the greatest number of points in the Arrangement Classes: *Lucie Steele*

Margah Flood Memorial Trophy for the horticultural organization accumulating the greatest number of points in the Horticultural Classes: *Old York Road Garden Club*

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society Artistic Sweepstakes Trophy for the horticultural organization accumulating the greatest number of points in the Arrangement Classes: *Huntingdon Valley Garden Club*

The Margaret Buckley Zantlinger Award for the garden club accumulating the greatest number of points in all competitive sections of the Show: *Old York Road Garden Club*

1984 Harvest Show Awards

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society Certificate of Excellence for a major exhibit: *Bartram's Garden* and *Friends Hospital*

The Award of Horticultural Excellence: *Elise Payne*

PHS Gardeners Sweepstakes Award to the individual winning the greatest number of blue ribbons in the horticultural section of the show: *William D. Coppens*

PHS Community Garden Sweepstakes Trophy to the community garden winning the greatest number of blue ribbons in the show: *4300-4310 Sansom Street*

PHS Club Sweepstakes Trophy to the horticultural organization winning the greatest number of blue ribbons in the show: *The Seedlings of Kennett Square*

PHS Awards Presented Elsewhere:

The Flower Show Medal of the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society to the Amateur Horticulture Section at the New England Garden and Flower Show

The Gold Medal Certificate of the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society to Kathryn Andersen for the Best Collection of Five Daffodils Registered Since 1980 in the 1985 American Daffodil Society National Show; and to *Dr. Wallace Windus* for the Best Stem of a Windus Lily in the 1985 American Lily Society's International Show.

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PUBLIC INFORMATION

Before the 1984 vice-presidential debates were held at the Philadelphia Civic Center, crews and reporters were on the scene to capture the re-landscaping of the area surrounding this highly visible City building. PHS became involved after noticing the gradual decline in the maintenance of the trees and shrubs bordering the Civic Center and entered into an agreement with the City to plant and maintain the area.

A Touch of Britain brought international attention to this year's Flower Show as writers from the *Sunday Times*, the *Daily Telegraph* and *The Times* of London got word that Philadelphia's Show had a British theme. National coverage provided an impressive collection of clips from the *New York Times*, *Washington Post*, *Miami Herald*; magazine articles appeared in *Town & Country*, *Connoisseur* and *MD*, and ABC's *Good Morning America* and CBS *Morning News* carried stories throughout Show week. Locally, to counter the problems facing the Show due to construction on the Schuylkill Express-

way, Herb Clarke, Flower show vice-chair and WCAU-TV weatherman, conducted a pep rally with his colleagues. As a result, favorable traffic reports began to roll in encouraging Flower Show visitors to take alternative routes to the Civic Center. Local press, television and radio provided excellent up-to-the-minute coverage before and during the Show. Daily award results appeared in the *Philadelphia Inquirer*.

Jane Pepper continues to create enthusiasm and interest in gardening through her weekly column in the *Sunday Inquirer Books & Leisure Section*. She writes about what's happening in the horticultural community as well as helpful how-to tips for the home gardener.

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◀ The Harvest Show is a family affair, and the stacked hay is as much a subject for study for the children as the gardens' produce is for their parents.



SHOWS

Philadelphia Flower Show

Philadelphia Civic Center,

March 3-10, 1985

Judging and Preview:

Saturday, March 3

Flower Show themes often result from incidental conversations. Gradually, as more and more exhibitors and committee members learn of the concept and add their suggestions, a full-scale plan develops. Britain had been on our minds since 1981, when we first debated the challenge of heralding the horticultural traditions of a country with such splendid gardens and prominent gardeners.

Enthusiasm for the Show, among exhibitors and visitors, was overwhelming and we were pleased to welcome the following British visitors as participants in this outstanding Show: Sheila Macqueen as judge, lecturer and producer of a splendid floral exhibit "Getting Ready for Chelsea"; Geoffrey Ace, Kathleen Askew, Mark Dowle, Andy King and Richard Powell of Merrist Wood Agricultural College, Surrey, England who designed and built a traditional English garden in a remarkable Transatlantic cooperative venture with students and faculty of Delaware Valley College in Doylestown, Pa.; Rosemary Verey who judged the Wilkinson Sword Award and gave two lectures on English gardens; and Robin Herbert, president of the Royal Horticultural Society who joined Rosemary Verey and Cecily Clark of PHS as members of that special judging panel.

In spring and fall the outlook for the Show was glorious and advance

publicity rosy. In November the Flower Show '85 challenge landed on us like a ton of wet sod. With Show opening set for March 3rd, PennDOT was slated to begin the three-year Schuylkill Expressway Reconstruction Project on March 1st, greatly reducing access to the Civic Center.

Meetings ensued with transportation officials, and staff, volunteers and exhibitors grew gloomy as news reports predicted congested alternative roadways, insufficient public transportation and the possibility that people would abandon leisure activities as they strove to maintain daily work schedules.

As it turned out, when PennDOT erected the barriers on March 1 traffic ran smoothly and Flower Show visitors reached the Civic Center with few delays, well directed by 54 PennDOT signs. Excellent weather helped the cause and total paid attendance was 215,428 compared to 207,164 in 1984.

The compliments from our visitors, especially those from Britain, were heart-warming. It was exciting to hear the latter group comment on the Show's extraordinary cadre of volunteers, a group we salute from year to year as the essential component that makes it all work. In his or her own way, everyone who participates is a Show volunteer, either full-time or part-time, providing the Society with expertise, good judgment and assistance we could never secure under any

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Rob Montgomery (left) ►
and Bruce Rawlings of
Robert W. Montgomery
Landscape Nursery plant
a garden at the
Philadelphia Flower Show.



other circumstances.

Many members of this essential component joined at Delaware Valley College in late June for the annual Summer Party. The temperature was as cool as a summer night in Britain, and we greatly appreciated the college's hospitality in its splendid Student Center.

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Leroy LaBold gets ready for the Mad Hatter's Tea Party exhibit at the 1985 Philadelphia Flower Show.

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Harvest Show exhibitor Jessie Crew stops by to see how Mona D. Gold tussles a tussie-mussie into shape at the Friends Hospital exhibit.

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Exhibitors & Awards Luncheon

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 Sylvia Lin

The Harvest Show

Harvest Promenade was the theme for this year's Harvest Show, held for the third year at the Horticulture Center in Fairmount Park in the greenhouses and in a series of tents surrounding the reflecting pool. A Victorian atmosphere was carried through the artistic classes, and the preserved products were staged in a "turn of the century" style kitchen.

Unlike the past few years, the weather did not cooperate and our members bravely attended the preview in a downpour. Spirits remained high with exhibitors and while overcast, Saturday and Sunday brought many enthusiastic visitors.

As visitors participated in the promenade around the reflecting pool they were entertained by a brass band, Victorian bicyclists and jugglers. Younger visitors wel-

comed animals from the Philadelphia Zoo, face and pumpkin painting and most of all playing in a pile of straw.

The horticultural and artistic entries provided a wide variety of color. Major exhibits included the care and feeding of butterflies, The History of the American Straw Hat and how to use the fall season as an excellent time for planting.

As the Harvest Show continues to grow in size and popularity, this fun family outing is becoming a fall Philadelphia tradition.

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Junior Flower Show

"The Greatest Show on Earth" was a theme worthy of the bright and cheerful exhibits brought in by young persons from more than 50 schools throughout the area. The children produced 1,200 entries, filling 30 classes. This year there was a changing of the guard as show chairs, Helene Duncan and Mary Lou Scanlon, handed on their responsibilities to vice chairs, Natalie Kempner and Jeanne Lennon. We extend a special thanks to both Helene and Mary Lou who have chaired the show since its infancy. Their hard work and dedication have made the show what it is today and has helped many juniors in the Delaware Valley blossom, increasing and developing their horticultural talents.

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PREVIEW DINNER

Thanks to an enthusiastic and talented committee, chaired by Thacher Brown, the Preview Dinner was a highlight of the 1985 calendar of Philadelphia's best events.

While hors d'oeuvres were passed, 2,300 guests viewed the Flower Show during the cocktail hour. A special treat this year was the Cameron Highlanders, a Scottish pipe and drum band, resplendent in tartans. Later, 1,948 guests enjoyed dinner catered by ARA Services, Inc.

This affair is not only a beautiful party, but also a very important fund-raising event for the Society, and we greatly appreciate the generosity of our dinner guests whose contributions provide essential support for our community outreach programs.

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A Touch of Britain in the hometown – Mayor W. Wilson Goode and Velma Goode watch as Margaret Herbert cuts the ribbon at the 1985 Philadelphia Flower Show Preview Dinner. Robin Herbert, extreme right, is president of the Royal Horticultural Society. W. Thacher Brown (extreme left) was 1985 Preview Dinner chair.



COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES



A community gardener digs in with enthusiasm.

Philadelphia Green

Philadelphia was greener last year thanks to the efforts of 111 community groups who initiated new greening projects in their neighborhoods through Philadelphia Green. The program's staff, 12 full-time and 5 part-time, worked with groups to develop 36 community vegetable gardens, 22 new garden blocks, 19 street tree blocks, 31 new lots and sitting gardens, and 3 new Green the School Grounds projects.

In addition, about 90 neighborhood garden clubs received additional materials and technical assistance from Philadelphia Green to further develop their green spaces.

Eighty families led by James Taylor and Leonard Sherrod have converted the four-acre site of a recently demolished factory at 18th and Glenwood Avenue, along the Amtrack rail lines in North Philadelphia, into a huge grid of beautifully maintained vegetable plots, com-

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Teachers, parents and staff work out Green the Schoolgrounds plans.

plete with a piped watering system and storage shed. Dr. Yu has organized 50 Korean families to carve out a half acre in Fairmount Park along Cobbs Creek in West Philadelphia into Philadelphia's largest Korean garden. The development of community greening projects such as these are outstanding examples of the neighborhood spirit, cooperation and ingenuity generated in all the Philadelphia Green sponsored efforts.

These new gardens join the list of over 1,000 active greening projects sponsored by the Society over the last 10 years.

Greene Countrie Townes

The West Shore Greene Countrie Towne committee moved into high gear this spring to finish their greening for the July 26, 1985 dedication. Members planted new gardens, street trees, and barrels with shrubs and flowers to put the finish-



ing touches on their three-year effort. Split rail fences at the OK Corral, West Shore Garden, and the Leo Donald Memorial Garden symbolize the open, relaxed atmosphere in this Southwest Philadelphia community.

The residents of the Francisville Greene Countrie Towne are halfway through their four-year greening effort. Last year they began to convert eight vacant lots into flower-filled lotscapes and placed 150 more

flower-filled wine barrels throughout the 30-block neighborhood.

The 88-block Greene Countrie Towne of Point Breeze continued to green up its vacant lots with the further development of 25 lotscapes and flowers throughout the neighborhood.

Green the School Grounds

The three schools selected to begin their projects in fall 1984 included Benjamin Franklin High

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◀ After the judges check the color, they get to taste the products at the Harvest Show.

School (North Philadelphia), Sharswood Elementary School (South Philadelphia), and Samuel Gompers Elementary School (West Philadelphia). Staff conducted work sessions at each school leading to the development of indoor garden projects at Franklin and Sharswood and an outdoor garden scheme for Gompers.

Garden Interns

The Garden Interns Program serves an important role in Philadelphia Green's outreach efforts. The participants are neighborhood residents of all ages interested in helping to green-up other communities, who are hired by the Society for a part-time one-year training program. Seven interns completed their year-long program in December 1984.

Advisory Board

The 47-member Philadelphia Green Advisory Board forms the backbone of Philadelphia Green's successful outreach program. Throughout the year these volunteers worked with staff to suggest program direction and develop educational programs, to advocate for the use of federal funds to support the program, to develop policy recommendations to the City concerning the preservation of community-managed open space, and to help organize and direct the many events and services the program offers to its member community groups.

Services and Events

Newsletters and gardeners' events and services are a vital part

of Philadelphia Green's on-going support to the network of green neighborhoods.

Over 140 neighborhood groups purchased flowers and garden supplies from Philadelphia Green this spring. Basic Gardening in the City series attracted more than 700 city gardeners to sessions held at the Society's headquarters, community centers, and at gardens.

Harvest Show

Philadelphia's Community gardens brought quality as well as quantities of entries to the 1984 Harvest Show. Fifty-four groups made 584 entries in the competitive classes, and 625 people attended Philadelphia Green's Harvest Party Saturday night.

Recognition Dinner

Four hundred and fifty Philadelphia Green gardeners, Advisory Board members, and supporters attended the 1984 Recognition Dinner held at the Philadelphia Centre Hotel. Green Thumb of the Year Awards for outstanding contributions to community greening efforts were presented to the West Shore Beautification Committee, Charlotte Donald, chair; Rachel Bagby of the Woodstock Civic Association; and James Taylor and Leonard Sherrod of the four-acre 18th Street and Glenwood Avenue vegetable garden. A special Green Thumb of the Decade Award was presented to the Chinatown Community Gardeners whose beautiful garden of oriental vegetables have delighted travelers on Vine Street for many years. Unfortunately their

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Philadelphia Green director Blaine Bonham, school superintendent Constance Clayton and council member Herb Clarke, left, chat before her speech at the Philadelphia Green Recognition dinner.

site has now become part of the new Vine Street Expressway construction. Dr. Constance E. Clayton, superintendent of the Philadelphia School District, was our dinner speaker.

The Flower Show

Philadelphia Green's 1985 Flower Show exhibit, "Community Gardening - Bigger Than You Think!," portrayed the extensive scope of Philadelphia's greening activities with a walk-through photographic display depicting many facets of this unique city activity.

City Gardens Contest

On April 23, Mayor W. Wilson Goode proclaimed City Gardens Contest Week at a reception attended by 400 city gardeners. Commit-

tee and staff efforts attracted 523 contestants and almost 400 volunteers who served on 100 judging teams that visited all the entrants in July and the finalists in August. In September, contestants, judges and guests attended Awards Night at the Port of History Museum where 144 prizes were awarded to outstanding city gardeners. Contest chair Herb Clarke made two special Gardener of the Year Awards to Bertha Dillard, a 90-year-old Strawberry Mansion gardener, and to seven wheelchair-bound residents of Inglis House for their community gardening efforts. The Sun Company continued to support this activity generously with a grant to cover administrative costs and also supported reduced price Flower Show tickets for contestants.

Sylvia Lin, three-time Horticultural Sweepstakes winner at the Philadelphia Flower Show, gets an early start at the watering hole at the Show. She has a lot of entries to water. ▶





HEADQUARTERS EXHIBITS

A survey of what was and what is happening now on the Philadelphia horticultural scene greeted visitors to the exhibit hall at 325 Walnut Street during the past year. "The Greening of Philadelphia's Neighborhoods" started the trend with a look at Philadelphia Green's many projects. This photo essay exhibit followed the Philadelphia Green program from its beginning through the present day and ended with state-of-the-art ideas and drawings with concepts for the future.

Horticultural Hall, Bartram's Garden and the PHS 18th Century Garden provided subjects for other exhibits giving a look at the past. On a more contemporary level, "Bird's Eye View" gave advice on the latest in bird feeders, houses and baths

with hints on how to attract birds to every garden from city window-box to country estate. "Holiday Time Around the World" even provided a setting for a New Year's Eve party aboard a spaceship.

Exhibits during the year included:

May - August

The Greening of Philadelphia's Neighborhoods

September - October

A Garden from the Past

November - December

Holiday Time Around the World

January

Bird's Eye View

February - March

Mostly Iris

April

History of Horticultural Hall

May - June

Bartram's Garden Then and Now



An early start for budding botanists at the Philadelphia Flower Show.



The 18th century perennial and vegetable gardens are maintained by a dedicated group of PHS volunteers. Their dedication starts in the cool damp days of spring, when they clean up winter's ravages and plant thousands of annuals for summer's bloom. The dog days of summer has them bent over weeding, deadheading and watering. Short cool days of fall find them replacing the annuals with hundreds of bulbs and preparing for winter. During this cycle, on Wednesdays from April through October, the gardeners are also busy pruning the trees, shrubs and vines that form the gardens' permanent plantings.

This past year the volunteers planted the parterres in cool, soothing colors of pink, white and pale blue. The center beds were planted with fairy rose, dusty miller and pink begonia, while the surrounding beds were filled with blue ageratum, pink and white begonias, a mixture of vinca, and dwarf cherry zinnia.

If you're in the neighborhood take a few minutes to stop by the gardens and see what all this hard work produces, and if it's a Wednesday feel free to chat with the gardeners about their trials and tribulations, successes and rewards. We all owe them a debt of gratitude for a beautiful garden.

Garden Volunteers

Elizabeth Bailey
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 Johanna Goedel



PHS garden volunteer Johanna Goedel and staffer Joe Kerwin clean pots on Wednesday, the day the volunteers come to plant, prune, harvest and scrub.

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REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Harold C. Wessel, *Chair*
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We are pleased to report another successful year for the Society in which our revenues exceeded expenditures. These are set forth in the statement of our Operating Fund Income below.

The audit report for the year ended June 30, 1985, presented by the Society's auditors, Ernst & Whinney, was reviewed and accepted. Excerpts shown below are included in the complete report available for inspection at the Society's office.

During the year, the committee met periodically with a representative of the Mellon Bank, the Society's investment advisor, and manager of our investment portfolios including the Elizabeth Shaffer Trust. The committee also reviewed the investment portfolio of the Society's Pension Plan with representatives from the Philadelphia National Bank.

A transfer of \$300,000 from the Operating Account to the Investment Advisory Account was recommended and accepted by Council in June, 1985.

STATEMENTS OF FUND BALANCES Years Ended June 30, 1985 and 1984

	Operating Fund		Endowment Funds		Total
	Undesignated	Designated	Unrestricted	Restricted	
Balance, June 30, 1983	\$501,517	\$100,000	\$1,325,972	\$35,353	\$1,962,842
Excess of operating fund revenue over expenses	124,954				124,954
Loss on sale of investments			(606)		(606)
Interfund transfers:					
Council authorized	(75,000)		75,000		-0-
Other	1,000		(16,465)	15,465	-0-
Balance, June 30, 1984	552,471	100,000	1,383,901	50,818	2,087,190
Excess of operating fund revenue over expenses	348,876				348,876
Investment income - restricted				3,835	3,835
Gain on sale of investments			96,999		96,999
Life membership dues			3,000		3,000
Interfund transfers:					
Council authorized	(300,000)		300,000		-0-
Balance, June 30, 1985	<u>\$601,347</u>	<u>\$ 100,000</u>	<u>\$1,783,900</u>	<u>\$54,653</u>	<u>\$2,539,900</u>

STATEMENTS OF OPERATING FUND INCOME

	Year Ended June 30	
	<u>1985</u>	<u>1984</u>
Operating revenue:		
Membership dues	\$ 197,874	\$ 185,764
Designated contributions	46,616	25,815
Flower Show	1,582,061	1,387,641
Preview dinner	335,400	282,376
Fees and sales	40,900	41,205
Membership and other activities	114,077	105,423
Grant income	112,097	120,125
	<u>2,429,025</u>	<u>2,148,349</u>
Operating expenses:		
Salaries	334,549	313,131
Other employee expenses	82,084	81,113
Building maintenance and utilities	35,156	33,289
Depreciation and amortization	15,975	14,535
Administrative supplies and expense	86,668	78,962
	<u>554,432</u>	<u>521,030</u>
Less allocation of overhead to Flower Show	(255,000)	(246,000)
	299,432	275,030
Philadelphia Green	281,148	263,153
Other community service projects	37,676	35,885
Publications	151,026	136,086
Flower Show, including allocation of overhead	1,171,947	1,179,945
Preview Dinner	135,055	110,824
Library and educational programs	21,475	20,058
Membership and other activities	173,949	162,070
Special projects	9,933	36,614
	<u>2,281,641</u>	<u>2,219,665</u>
Income (loss) from Operations	<u>147,384</u>	<u>(71,316)</u>
Nonoperating revenue:		
Invested funds and savings accounts	158,818	150,892
Schaffer Trust	29,749	27,944
Undesignated contributions	12,925	17,434
	<u>201,492</u>	<u>196,270</u>
Excess of Revenue Over Expenses	<u>\$ 348,876</u>	<u>\$ 124,954</u>

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Rose Valley Nurseries' ►
exhibit won Best in Show
in the Commercial
Aesthetic Category at
the 1985 Philadelphia
Flower Show.





Bounty by the Basket
at the Pennsylvania
Horticultural Society's
1967 Harvest Show held
at the Horticulture Center
in Plum Mount Park.

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◀ Garden volunteers Kitty Lapp and Frances Vollmer prune vines covering barn behind PHS headquarters.



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The Chair of the Council and the President serve *ex-officio* on all committees.

*deceased





CHAIR & PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Little did we know, when the Long Range Planning Committee settled down for its first meeting in spring, 1984, how many decisions would have been made and changes implemented just a couple of years later.

At first, the committee's approach was broad, looking at the Society's mission, its goals and future orientation. Later, subcommittees examined our membership, our sources of information, our shows, our physical facilities, and our outreach activities.

Among the many decisions, two stand out as especially important, because they have affected and will affect many other decisions. The first was that the Society should remain in its current headquarters in Independence National Historical Park. All acknowledge the location as wonderful, and the building beautiful. The only drawback is its size. The alternatives, including a fund-raising drive to raise sufficient money to build and endow a larger facility, were not appealing. Instead, we decided to: maintain an approach to membership and membership programs that is consistent with the Independence Park facility; to seek ways to accomplish the Society's mission that do not require large public gatherings in our own facilities; to co-sponsor educational programs with other organizations who have more spacious facilities; and to rent additional office space nearby to meet staff needs.

The library, an operation that serves our members, the general

public and researchers from many states, had for several years been a busy, bustling place, rather than the quiet haven it should have been, because we were using some of its space for staff, rather than patrons. This spring we alleviated the space crunch by moving three departments – editorial, finance and public information, to rented quarters at 325 Chestnut Street.

A second area of intensive discussion in preparing the Long Range Plan was consideration of the Society's community outreach activities. Since our small beginnings in 1974, this highly successful program had expanded to become a major force in Philadelphia, with a full-time staff of 13 working on some 100 new greening projects each year, in addition to organizing educational programs and other activities for some 600 gardening groups. These programs enable the Society to fulfill its basic mission in its own backyard, the City of Philadelphia, where some residents do not have easy access to the horticultural riches available to gardeners who live closer to suburban gardens and arboretums. Support for these activities was strong among members of the Long Range Planning Committee. In the plan, staff were encouraged to continue this program, expanding where possible into new areas of neighboring greening and beautification, and to explore the potential for the Society to play a role in the beautification of downtown Philadelphia.

As we explored avenues for the



Society's future, two of Philadelphia's generous contributors, the Glenmede Trust Company and The William Penn Foundation, asked us to consider how we could expand our Philadelphia greening programs. Their timing was perfect. As part of the planning process, Philadelphia Green staff members had thoroughly reviewed past performance and had set ambitious goals for the future. By late fall we had the green light from both foundations and our proposals were approved. The William Penn Foundation will support a three-year tree planting program and a new Tree Corps, and The Glenmede Trust Company a major five-year expansion of our Greene Countrie Towne program. By March we had rented 8,500 square feet at 325 Chestnut Street to accommodate our growing staff.

Everyone connected with PHS – the Council, hundreds of members of various committees, the many supporters who volunteer at our shows, compete in them and visit them – must take enormous pride in these opportunities offered to the Society. You have helped us shape the goals and your enthusiasm will enable us to accomplish them. Our warmest thanks for all your support and encouragement in this exciting year.

Robert S. Ryan

Robert S. Ryan
Chair

Jane G. Pepper

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President



Throughout the year the PHS staff expanded from 36 to a healthy 48 full-time and part-time members. Here 38 staffers gathered with the tools of their trade, including president Jane Pepper (seated) who showed up with her favorite weeder. Several people, not pictured here, were out in



the field handling emergencies including a broken hydrant flooding tree pits. The rapid staff expansion necessitated additional new quarters, which also allowed for a more comfortable library area for members as well as more work space for volunteers.



LIBRARY

We will remember this as the year John Bartram's overdue book was returned. Bartram's copy of Linnaeus' *Critica Botanica*, inscribed "John Bartram his Booke given him by James Logan in ye year 1739," had disappeared from PHS's collection in the late 1960s. Thanks to the combined efforts of Clarence Wolf, William Reese and James N. Green, the book has been returned to our Pennsylvania rare book collection. This book and other Pennsylvania materials were then loaned to the Free Library of Philadelphia's 300 years of Philadelphia Gardens exhibit.

Over the year, 2,727 members came to PHS headquarters to borrow books, and 405 requested that books be mailed to them. Through our book loan agreements with the American Rock Garden Society and the American Bonsai Society, 327 books were circulated by mail. Researchers used 73 books from our Pennsylvania and Special (19th century) collections. Seventy-five slide programs were rented for program presentations. Two hundred sixty-two books were added to the collection while 106 were weeded to make space for new updated books.

Regular visitors to the library have been startled recently to see our new spacious look. With the relocation of some departments to new Chestnut Street quarters and juggling of remaining Walnut Street spaces, the library no longer shares its rooms with other PHS departments. There is now room for controlled growth and more quiet space for patrons and staff.

To keep our collection of current seed and nursery catalogs up to date, volunteer Nat Nelson has mailed 470

requests for catalogs. Nat's hours of labelling and filing have produced a catalog collection frequently used by our members. Frances Barnett Gibson volunteers many hours to transfer back copies of all catalogs originating in the greater Delaware Valley to our permanent catalog collection.

Friends of the Library

Columnist and author Allen Lacy spoke to Friends of the Library in November, 1985 on his favorite books of the 1890's-1930's period. One hundred twenty-seven Friends donated \$5,952 to support special purchases and restoration.

Gifts

The Seed and Weed Garden Club gave *Flowers and Folk-Lore from Far Korea* by Lorence-Hedleston-Crane, 1931, in memory of Katherine McCoy Sargent. Lucy M. McIlvaine donated John C. Wister's 1921 *Report on Wister's Woods*. From Sandra Myers we have received John Birkenhead's *Ferns and Fern Culture*, 1892. A gift from Alfred S. Martin has made possible a program of marking for identification purposes our Special and Pennsylvania Collection books.

Horticultural Hotline

On Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays the 922-8043 phone is answered by one of 18 experienced gardeners invited to become Hotline volunteers. They cope with everything from "Are squirrels vegetarians - do they like sardines?" to "What is the ultimate height of *Chamaecyparis obtusa* 'Nana Gracilis'?" In November, Hotline volunteers were invited behind the scenes at Liddon Pen-



Whimsy at the Junior Show.

noçk's Meadowbrook Farm greenhouses and Plume's Orchid greenhouses. In June they toured Mt. Cuba's plantings of Piedmont flora and lunched at Ann and John Swan's visiting their splendid garden. Fortified by all this new information, and with their own invaluable gardening experience, they answered 1,929 inquiries.

Hotline Volunteers

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 Kathie Buchanan
 Jane Carter
 George R. Clark
 Alice Doering
 Martha Fisher
 Elinor Goff
 Harriett Green
 Nancy Greenwood
 Tam Hartell
 Erich Meitzner
 Nat Nelson
 Dot Plyler
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PUBLICATIONS

Green Scene. As we enter our 15th year of publication, *Green Scene* circulation has just about doubled since our first issue. And with the counsel and encouragement of the Long Range Planning Committee, we are exploring new ways to reach other subscribers.

This year we published two issues dealing with a single subject: our November issue on winter gardening and our July issue about the elements of design in small gardens. Both were popular and within a short time we had run out of the winter gardening issue; wisely we upped our July order and it is going like hotcakes. To our delight we had a request for 250 copies of our March story about producing wine in Pennsylvania; to our regret we could not supply the copies the wine industry wanted to send to legislators.

Throughout the year 61 authors wrote on subjects ranging from high rise gardening and wintering birds, to early and late vegetables, and a multitude of plants in public and private gardens. We welcomed new authors to our ranks and cherished our old favorites.

Yearbook. Here's one of the places where members can find out what their gardening colleagues have been doing throughout the year: workshops, clinics, trips, flower shows, committees and community networking. The cheerful hubbub of our members' life work and avocations thread throughout this publication, a record for ourselves, for posterity and others who don't yet know us.

Each list here tells of hundreds of hours of commitment, enough contributed hours to fuel a small corporation. Each year's record is another step in the Society's history, a warm record of dedication to horticulture, first recorded in 1827.

Flower Show Program. To meet increased production costs the Flower Show Executive Committee increased the Program price to \$3.00 this year. An advertising campaign, including the offer of an early bird special, increased the number of ads including several additional full page color ads. In spite of lower attendance, sales matched last year's.

PHS News. Now in its 26th year, the *PHS News* continues to cover the Society's membership activities, special events, major awards and interesting happenings in the horticultural community. This year the April and May issues of the *News* spread to six pages to make room for the ever-increasing listings of workshops, lectures and field trips offered to members.

Publications Committee

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Anne S. Cunningham
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Adele Greenfield
Charles W. Heuser
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Philadelphia Green's Cindy Council packs for move to new quarters on Chestnut Street.



AWARDS



Awards chair Sandra Ward (left) congratulates Joanna McQ. Reed, who was honored with PHS 1985 Distinguished Achievement Medal.

Each year the Awards Committee faces the challenge of choosing an individual who ranks among the very best in the field of horticulture for the Society's prestigious Distinguished Achievement Medal. This year the vote was unanimous for a longtime friend and supporter of PHS, Joanna McQuail Reed. Joanna first joined the Society in September of 1942 and has been widely recognized for her work both at PHS and in organizations such as the Herb Society of America where she served as president from 1980 to 1982.

This year PHS honored the following:

Major Awards

1985 Distinguished Achievement

Medal – *Joanna McQuail Reed*

1985 Certificates of Merit –

Margaret W. Evans

Adolph G. Rosengarten, Jr.

1986 Junior Horticulturist

Award – *Cheryl Marie Friedel*

Gateway Regional High School

J. Franklin Styer Award of Merit

The evaluators awarded the following entries Certificates of Preliminary

Commendation, permitting the introducers to enter the plants for judging on their exceptional garden merit.

Acer x freemanii 'Mamo'

Hypericum frondosum 'Sunburst'

Lespedeza thunbergii 'Albiflora'

Viburnum plicatum 'Summer Snowflake'

Ilex verticillata 'Millcreek'

Styer Award Committee

Judith W. Zuk, *Chair*

Darrel Apps

James E. Cross

Tom Dilatush

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William Heyser

Steve Hutton

Richard W. Lighty

Paul Meyer

Philip Normandy

Sally Reath

Bradshaw Snipes

J. Franklin Styer

Charles Zafonte

Flower Show Awards

1986 Philadelphia Flower Show

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society Flower Show Award for

the **Best in Show** in the following categories:

Commercial

Aesthetic - *Gale Nurseries*
Display - *Plume Orchids*
Education - *Philadelphia Water Department*

Non-Profit

Display - *Fairmount Park Commission*
Education - *Morris Arboretum of the University of Pennsylvania*

The Grand Sweepstakes Award for the individual accumulating the greatest number of points in all competitive sections of the Show: *Rosemarie Vassalluzzo*

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society Horticultural Sweepstakes Trophy for the individual accumulating the greatest number of points in the Horticultural Classes: *Sylvia Lin*

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society Horticultural Sweepstakes Award for the individual runner-up in the Horticultural Classes: *Pamela Copeland*

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society Flower Arranging Sweepstakes Trophy for the individual accumulating the greatest number of points in the Arrangement Classes: *Virginia Tietjens*

Margah Flood Memorial Trophy for the horticultural organization accumulating the greatest number of points in the Horticultural Classes: *American Rock Garden Society*

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society Artistic Sweepstakes Trophy for the horticultural organization accumulating the greatest number of points in the Arrangement Classes: *Wissabickon Garden Club*

The Margaret Buckley Zantinger Award for the garden club accumulating the greatest number of points

in all competitive sections of the Show: *Old York Road Garden Club*

1985 Harvest Show Awards

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society Certificate of Excellence for a major exhibit: *Fairmount Park Horticulture Center and Friends Hospital*

The Award of Horticultural Excellence: *Ruth Flounders*

PHS Gardeners Sweepstakes Award to the individual winning the greatest number of blue ribbons in the horticultural section of the Show: *William D. Coppens*

PHS Community Garden Sweepstakes Trophy to the community garden winning the greatest number of blue ribbons in the Show: *4300-4310 Sansom Street*

PHS Club Sweepstakes Trophy to the horticultural organization winning the greatest number of blue ribbons in the Show: *American Rock Garden Society*

PHS Awards Presented Elsewhere:

The Flower Show Medal of the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society to the Amateur Horticulture Section, *Mrs. Robert H. Traylor, Chair, New England Garden and Flower Show*

Awards Committee

Martha B. Barron, *Chair*
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Cecily Clark
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Sandra C. Ward
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PUBLIC INFORMATION

National attention was focused this year on Philadelphia Green as the 10-block Southwest Philadelphia community of West Shore became the Society's third Greene Country Towne. While several hundred corporate, government and community leaders applauded the effort, newspaper, television and radio reporters spread the word that Philadelphia Green was quickly becoming the hardest of all groundcovers to take root in the City.

As winter set in, the focus of media attention turned to yet another mammoth greening effort, the Philadelphia Flower Show. From its early planning stages more than 10 months in advance, to the Show's opening day, more than 170 local, regional and national media outlets captured details of preparation for this year's big event, Hometown, USA. Hundreds of feature articles appeared nationwide. Whether it was a sense of "hometown" patriotism or a longing for an early breath of spring, many in the media seemed to be experiencing Flower Show fever.

The gardening word continues to spread throughout the Delaware Valley community as Jane Pepper and "the gardening partner" share their knowledge and their garden in a Sunday column in the *Philadelphia Inquirer* Books and Leisure section.



Starting young at the Flower Show.

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Marion Laffey Fox

John P. Swan

Rosemarie Vassalluzzo

Frances Vollmer



SHOWS

Philadelphia Flower Show

Philadelphia Civic Center,

March 9-16, 1986

Judging and Preview:

Saturday, March 8

Initially when we unveiled the "Hometown, USA" theme, our announcement was greeted with skepticism. After the beauties of Britain in '85, people wondered what glories the hometown theme would yield. During the ensuing months, as they became familiar with the plans for the Hometown USA station and park, with the gardens on Main Street, the Storm Over the Luau and the Sea to Shining Sea exhibits, their skepticism turned to enthusiasm.

Once the Show opened, visitors embraced our hometown and turned it into their hometown, and confided that, although they loved the British

gardens, they "liked this much better."

Despite the double trouble of continuing Schuylkill Expressway repairs and a city transit strike (which was threatened for the last Saturday, but actually started at 6 pm on Sunday, March 16), our total paid attendance was 207,803, compared to 215,428 in '85 and 207,164 in '84.

Crowding on the first four days was a problem at the '86 Show; our 1987 plans include extending the Show into "A" Hall to allow substantially wider aisles and more visitor space. The problem of parking spaces in and near the Civic Center continues. We hope that problem will be alleviated in the future when City government plans to build a subway stop at the Civic Center become a reality.



The Garden Workers at the Flower Show.

Aesthetically the '86 Show reached new heights and the exhibits were of the highest quality, from the smallest potted begonia to Robert W. Montgomery Landscape Nursery's extensive Hometown USA railroad station and park. Exciting for exhibitors, volunteers and visitors was the Sea to Shining Sea exhibit, generously funded by AT&T. A year in advance, exhibit co-chairs Jane Ward and Sandy Ward invited flower arrangers from 18 cities to visit Philadelphia in March '86. Each arranger was to create a floral display interpreting her hometown. Birds of paradise from Hawaii, wheat and sunflowers from Kansas, oil drilling equipment from Texas and a life-sized figure of Elvis Presley from Memphis, Tennessee, were among the Show stoppers.

Each exhibitor received a small travel allowance, thanks to AT&T's generosity. The arrangers met the balance of the exhibit expenses themselves, and we were gratified to realize how much these talented flower lovers from all across the country are prepared to invest on behalf of our great Show.

Substantial investments of love and time are made also by our many friends, volunteers and exhibitors who make the Philadelphia Flower Show an annual spectacular — we thank you all.

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 Small Niches
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Pressed Plant Material Classes

Theresa Phillips, *Co-chair*
 Jeanne Griffith, *Co-chair*
 Lisa Howe, *Vice-chair*
 Kathie King, *Vice-chair*

*deceased

Doug Tague's last minute grooming of the Fairmount Park Horticulture Center's ornamental grass display garden paid off with the 1985 PHS Harvest Show Certificate of Excellence. Tague planted the display garden; John Allen, Horticulture Center administrator designed it.



Miniature Classes

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Terrace Class

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Jean Maus, *Co-chair*
Liz Ziegenfus, *Vice-chair*

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Passing
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PHS & Special Panel Clerks
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Sandra C. Ward, *At Large*
Susan P. Wilmerding, *At Large*
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Arrangement Judges

Hospitality

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Kerlin Grant
Joanna Reed
Sue Williams

Exhibitors & Awards Luncheon

Sandra C. Ward, *Chair*
Sylvia Lin

Harvest Show

When we chose "Harvest Rainbow" as our theme, we didn't know what a storm we'd weather to enjoy our rainbow. Hurricane Gloria blew into town Thursday night just as the last of the exhibitors arrived with entries and the Show's finishing touches had been completed. Staff and volunteers moved fast: as the wind blew and the rain flew, we took down the tents to keep them from blowing away. The Horticulture Center staff worked rapidly to clear new space in the greenhouses. We filled that space with the exhibit entries, tradebooths and a restaurant, all originally staged out of doors.

Friday found the Delaware Valley in a state of emergency: Gloria flooded roads, toppled trees and downed electrical lines. We cancelled the PHS Members Preview because there were no early morning entries and no judging. By late afternoon the skies cleared and a revised entry and judging system was created for the next day. Saturday and Sunday glowed with sunshine and clear skies. Visitors arrived and found the Harvest Show was the pot of gold at the end of the rainbow. Although we had to make some concessions, including free admission to the public, everyone connected with the Show felt a sense of pride and camaraderie in creating this successful event.



A patriotic Harvest Table entry.

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Martha Clark
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Dora Cornish
Harold Davis
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Helene Duncan
Charlotte Elsner

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 Peg Hartwick
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 Ed Heitman
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 Vicki Huth
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 Kitty Lapp
 Sue Leary
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The Junior Show invites exploration and participation.

Junior Flower Show

"The World is Our Garden" was the theme that tested the creative and horticultural mettle of children from all over the city, ranging from pre-school to grade 12. Working with their teachers the young persons created arrangements, terrariums and ornaments and brought plants large and small totalling 917 entries to exhibit at The First Bank of the United States in November. The budding horticulturists taught themselves and others about how worms live in the earth with a hands-on exhibit, topiaries and many exhibits paralleling in a modest way those of the Philadelphia Flower Show. These proud young exhibitors are tomorrow's growers and arrangers and their interest and commitment bodes well for future flower shows in this city.

Junior Flower Show Committee

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 Betty Tyler, *Vice-chair*
 Kate Cutler-Swope, *Chair*, Judges
 Mary Bradley, *Vice-chair*, Judges
 Carolyn Seifert, *Chair*, Clerks
 Andrea Raffle, *Vice-chair*, Clerks
 Helene Duncan, *Advisor*,
 Registration
 Mary Lou Scanlon, *Advisor*,
 Registration



PREVIEW DINNER

The Flower Show Preview Dinner continues to attract a capacity crowd to one of the City's most glittering events. Under the leadership of the chair Elizabeth Dolan, the Committee oversees every detail from seating to signs, ensuring the continuing quality and success of the Dinner.

While viewing the spectacular Show, 2,390 guests enjoyed cocktails and hors d'oeuvres. Entertainment at this year's Show featured the Johannes Brass Ensemble and the Main-Liners barbershop group.

ARA Services, Inc. served 1,940 guests native American fare for dinner beginning with Philadelphia snapper soup and ending with apple pie. Beautiful baskets of colorful geraniums, courtesy of Fidelity Bank, complimented the Show's theme, Hometown USA.

For the first time a new subscription category of Benefactor was added to enable dinner guests to provide increased tax deductible donations to the Society. We are very

grateful to both our Benefactors and Patrons for their generous support, which enables the Society to carry out many of its programs, including our community outreach programs.

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Governor Dick Thornburgh (left) is greeted at the Preview Dinner by Priscilla and Bob Ryan, and Elizabeth Dolan (right), chair of Preview Dinner Committee.



MEMBERSHIP

New Life Members

Mrs. Robert H. Asplundh
Mr. & Mrs. Paul W. Ohl
Mrs. Charles C. Townsend, Jr.
J. T. Dorrance, Jr.
Mrs. James Morris

PHS members, a healthy 7,484, have kept us on our toes with their increased energy, enthusiasm, and active participation in a myriad of activities. Our new members for 1986 totaled 1,088, including almost 300 who joined at the Flower Show in March. All were invited to an Open House in June.

Each year we are thrilled by the outpouring of hospitality and generosity from one gardener to another. We witness this each spring when our members open their gardens so that other members can enjoy them on a Sunday afternoon. We felt this spirit in England in September when 25 members spent 14 days there, and again in Scotland in May.

The Members Committee assumes an active role in PHS activities and welcomes your suggestions for classes, workshops, field trips, and special events.

Members Committee

Mary Disston, *Chair*
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Phyllis Borten
Margaret P. Bowditch
D. J. Brosius
Carter Dorrance
Louise Harrity
Mary B. Hopkins
Sylvia Lin
Harriett S. Richards
Alan P. Slack
Phyllis Weisman

Special Events

Annual Plant Dividend
Flower Arranging Symposium
Holiday Open House
Junior Show
158th Annual Meeting
Members Preview - Harvest Show
Members Preview - Philadelphia
Flower Show
New Members Open House

Field Trips

Andorra Natural Area, Spring
Wissahickon Walk
Arboretum of the Barnes Foundation
(Spring and Fall)
Brandywine River Museum, Winterthur Museum and Gardens, and Longwood Gardens: Holiday Decorations
Duke Gardens and Princeton University
Glencoe Farm and Longwood Gardens
Londontown and Annapolis
Morris Arboretum of the University of Pennsylvania
Mt. Cuba and Winterthur Museum and Gardens
National Gallery, Washington, DC - Treasure Houses of Britain
Scott Arboretum and Private Gardens

Workshops, Classes, Lectures

Animal Topiary Workshop

Betsy Nutt
Becky McBrien

Basketry Workshops (6 sessions)

Mary Miller

Begonias

Sylvia Lin

Cambridge University Botanic Garden

Peter Orriss



Harpist Janet Biely creates a serene mood at member's evening at Mr. and Mrs. J. Liddon Pennock's Meadowbrook Farm.

Chanticleer Series

Native Plants

Laima Zaprauskis

Up the Wall

Christopher Woods

Roses

Lauren Springer

Critters, Angels, and Stars

Libby Dean

Ann Scarlet

Decorating with Plants

John Story

Flower Arranging for Enjoyment

(2 sessions)

Kate Swope

Forcing Bulbs for Winter

Enjoyment

Ed Lindemann

Gardening with Native Plants

Thomas Buchter

Gardens of Maine

Margaret P. Bowditch

The Great Himalayas

Barry Phillips

Herbal Cosmetics

Jeannine Vannais

Herb Day in the Country

Phila. Unit, Herb Society of America

Herb Wreath Workshop

Ruth Flounders

Frank Kieser

Independence National Historical Park

Hobart G. Cawood

Inspiration from Abroad: Flower Arranging

Kate Swope

Landscape Design (3 sessions)

Mary B. Hopkins

Meadowbrook Farm: Garden Tour

Mr. & Mrs. J. Liddon Pennock, Jr.

Miniature Houseplants

Margaret P. Bowditch

Ornamental Grasses

Mary Hockenberry Meyer

Piedmont Flora

Richard W. Lighty

Pine Barrens

Rick Darke

Planning a Perennial Garden

(3 sessions)

Jane Reed Lennon

continued

Plant Exploration

Paul Meyer

Plant Illustration (5 sessions)

Alan P. Slack

Plants for Year-round Interest

Jim Jermyn

Pressed Flower Workshop

Katharine H. King

Propagating From Seed

Roxie Gevjan

Pruning Workshop at the Azalea Garden

Patricia Schrieber

Betty Tyler

Pruning Demonstration

A. William Graham at the Morris Arboretum

Restoration of an Edwardian Garden

Sir Peter Shephard

Special Books

Allen Lacy

Stir-frying Vegetables in a Wok

Rosemarie Vassalluzzo

Terrace Gardening

Margaret P. Bowditch

Trips to the Tropics – Members Evening at the Zoo

Charles W. Rogers

Using Unusual Bulbs

Charles O. Cresson

Garden Visits

Spring Garden Visits

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Mr. & Mrs. Joseph C. Bright

William C. Burleigh

Mr. & Mrs. J. Richardson Dilworth

Mr. & Mrs. Donald Dixon

Mr. & Mrs. Archibald Douglas, III

Mr. & Mrs. Eduardo Gonzalez

Mr. & Mrs. James McN. Hester

Dr. & Mrs. John E. Hopkins

Mr. & Mrs. John Lamprecht

Mr. & Mrs. William G. Littleton, II



Betsy Nutt teaching animal topiaries.

Mr. & Mrs. David H. McAlpin

Mrs. Robert Holmes Page

Prospect House, Princeton University

Mr. & Mrs. Keith Robertson

Dr. & Mrs. H. Ralph Schumacher

Mrs. Robert W. Simonin

Temple University, Ambler Campus

English Gardens

Beth Chatto Gardens, Elmstead Market

Cambridge University Botanic Garden, Cambridge

Castle Howard, Yorkshire

Clare College Gardens, Cambridge

Chequers, Boxford

Clichey Hall, Buckinghamshire

Dell Garden, Bressingham

Hardwick Hall, Yorkshire

Harlow Car Garden, Harrogate

Hatfield House, Hertfordshire

Kenwood House, Hampstead

Ling Beeches, Leeds

Mannington Hall, Saxthorpe

Newby Hall, Ripon

Peckover House, Wisbech



St. Paul's Walden Bury,
Hertfordshire
Savill Garden, Windsor, Surrey
Silver Birches, Leeds
Studley Royal and Fountains Abbey,
Yorkshire
Talbot Manor and Larch Wood,
Kings Lynn
Thorp Perrow, Bedale
Wisley Garden, Surrey

**Gardens & Houses in Britain,
May 1986**

Listed in order of visits

England

Leonardslee, Horsham
Nymans, Handcross
Chelsea Flower Show

Scotland

Old Ballikinrain, Balfour
Crarae Gardens, Loch Fyne
Inveraray Castle
Achamore Gardens, Isle of Gigha
Brodict Castle, Isle of Arran

Blairquhan Castle, Maybole
Logan House Gardens
Logan Botanic Garden
Threave Garden, Castle Douglas
Steadstone, Dalbeattie
Traquair House
Penicuik House
Edenkerry, Lasswade
Morton House, Edinburgh
Hill of Tarvit, Cupar
St. Andrews Botanic Garden
Tantallon, Invergowrie
Wester Balruddery, Invergowrie
Royal Botanic Garden, Edinburgh
Gosford House, Longniddry

**Organizations Meeting at PHS
During the Year**

Keystone Chapter, African Violet
Society
Middle Atlantic Regional Lily Group
Pennsylvania Bonsai Society
Philadelphia Indoor Light Gardening
Society of America
Philadelphia Society for Promoting
Agriculture



COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Philadelphia Green

As mentioned in Bob Ryan and Jane Pepper's report, the past fiscal year has been an eventful one for the Philadelphia Green department, involving both the planning for a major expansion and the initial implementation. As part of these changes, we formed two divisions in the program's Operations Department. The first, the Greene Countrie Townes division, is responsible for identifying and developing four new model neighborhoods over the next five years. The City-wide Greening division will work with residents throughout the rest of Philadelphia in low and moderate income neighborhoods to implement greening projects.

The grants also provided for the establishment of an Education Department to coordinate all of Philadelphia Green's activities and expand our educational programs to develop city gardening curricula for neighborhoods and for selected schools. Ten new staff members were hired to fill six new full-time and four part-time positions. Three of these new staff members recently graduated from the 1985 Garden Interns Program sponsored by Philadelphia Green.

New Greening Projects

During the past fiscal year, Philadelphia Green provided assistance to neighborhood groups in the city's low and moderate income areas to develop 150 greening projects including: 45 vegetable gardens, 25 flower gardens, 24 street tree blocks and 38 garden blocks, 20 gardening projects at Philadelphia Housing Authority sites, and

two Green the Schools projects.

Among these diverse greening projects are the Fairmount Park vegetable garden along Cobbs Creek in West Philadelphia, first cultivated by the Korean Senior Citizens Association in 1985. In the next six months it tripled in size with the addition of 60 Korean families and 30 neighborhood black families. In north Philadelphia, residents started a five-house lot "tree park" at 17th and Westmoreland on Germantown Avenue. The Mt. Airy Beautification Committee planted 85 wine barrels with flowers in Mt. Airy's business district. In Northern Liberties, the Neighborhood Association also planted wine barrels at scattered sites to seed the garden block concept in that neighborhood.

One of the many promising developments on the urban greening scene is the initiation of a special gardening program with the Philadelphia Housing Authority at five selected housing project sites - Abbottsford, Bartram's Village, Champlost, Norris, and Wilson Park. Basic community organizing and education programs conducted by staff throughout the fall, and plantings of tulip bulbs at all sites, paid off this spring with a blooming of involvement and interest at each site. The residents participated in designing and planting 20 greening projects, including garden blocks, vegetable gardens, and flower gardens. A waiting list of several groups from these and other Housing Authority sites has formed for next year's greening efforts.

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Greene Countrie Townes

On July 26, 1985, the leaders of the West Shore community in Southwest Philadelphia donned cowboy hats and welcomed guests at the split rail fences surrounding their flower gardens at the dedication of their Greene Countrie Towne. The celebration capped a three-year development program that saw the transformation of 10 sites into flower and vegetable gardens and every street of this 10-block area was lined with trees and/or containers planted with shrubs and flowers.

Mayor W. Wilson Goode dedicated the Greene Countrie Towne to the residents and acknowledged the cooperative efforts of the public and private sectors that brought the project to fruition. The project attracted major commitments by the City of Philadelphia, the Sun Company, Kraft, and several non-profit agencies, who supported the efforts of the West Shore neighbors. The Greene Countrie Towne also attracted the attention of the Enterprise Foundation, Columbia, Maryland, which selected West Shore as its first participant neighborhood for its non-profit housing development project for low income homeowners in Philadelphia.

In other Greene Countrie Townes, the residents of Francisville continued to develop and implement their greening strategy, which will be completed in 1987, and the neighbors in Point Breeze continued to carry their Greene Countrie Towne banner proudly as newly planted flowers and gardens spread throughout their neighborhood.

The North Central Philadelphia community of Susquehanna has been selected as a target area for greening developments over the next several years. The location of many current

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James W. Rouse, chairman of the Enterprise Foundation, joined with Philadelphia Green at the West Hagert Greene Country Towne dedication ceremony in August.



Charles Holman and Ed Doelp are among the Wednesday PHS garden volunteers who get on ladders to clear vines on the arbor and barn.

garden and green blocks, Susquehanna includes in its boundaries the first Greene Countrie Towne, West Hagert. This model greening community has influenced the start-up of many greening projects on its borders and will play a key role in promoting the greening of the surrounding neighborhoods.

Education Department

Since horticultural education is a key element of the Philadelphia Green program, the new Education Department was established to develop effective educational programming for participating groups and to provide in-service staff training. In addition, the department's staff coordinates all community activities that encourage good gardening and strengthen ties between gardening groups.

Workshops/Field Trips

Close to 600 gardeners participated in the indoor/outdoor series throughout the year. In spring, a total of 13 workshops, covering a number of topics such as pruning, street tree care and growing herbs, were brought closer to home by offering them at neighborhood sites.

Training Programs

Garden Interns. Each class of interns provides needed encouragement and support to participating community gardens. The garden interns assist full-time staff to work with neighborhood residents at spring and fall plantings in greening projects. They make summer visits to all veteran greening projects and help to conduct year-round workshops. Eight garden interns completed the one-year program in December, 1985.

Tree Corps. This new program involves city residents in the appreciation and care of street trees. After completing training sessions in basic tree care, six Tree Corps members, from the city's neighborhoods, scheduled a series of on-site demonstrations for residents on street tree blocks planted by Philadelphia Green and other city agencies. In addition, the Tree Corps conducted a survey of all trees to assess their tolerance to city conditions.

Green The Schools. Three elementary schools developed new outdoor garden projects in fall 1985: Nebinger (South Phila.), Bache-Martin (North Phila.), and Steel (Nicetown). Staff also began to focus more attention on assisting school

projects integrating horticulture with classroom activities. The two schools selected for spring activities were: Meade Elementary (North Phila.) for its school-wide "Seed to Harvest" project and Vare Junior High (South Phila.) for its classroom/outdoor project involving mentally impaired students.

City Gardens Contest

One hundred and twenty-nine winners of the 1985 City Gardens contest were chosen for their horticultural excellence from 520 contest entries. The contest process included a first judging by 354 judges in 94 teams. Those selected as finalists were then visited by 57 judges. At Awards Night, hosted by committee members and honorary chair Herb Clarke, the first-ever "Laurel" Award was presented to Amos Rogers, a three time first prize winner in his category. L. Wilbur Zimmerman received an award of merit for "best judge's comments."

Harvest Show

In spite of Hurricane Gloria's wind and rain, a hardy troop from 46 community gardens made 350 entries in the Community Garden Competitive Classes. Six hundred and fifty guests shared good times at the Saturday night Harvest Show party.

Recognition Dinner

Three hundred and seventy guests attended the 1985 Recognition Dinner at The Philadelphia Centre Hotel, where they joined Father Paul Washington, Church of the Advocate, in the Invocation. Guest speaker councilman Ed Schwartz paid special tribute to the contribution community gardeners make to the quality of city life. Green Thumb of the Year Awards were presented to Mamie Nichols (Point Breeze), Peter Grove (Norris Square), and Jin H. Yu and Kyong

Sul Kim (Korean Senior Citizens' Garden at Cobbs Creek).

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PHS HEADQUARTERS EXHIBITS

"The Way I See It," a photo contest for PHS members and friends proved popular with our spring and summer visitors in 1986. The Best of Show winner, a black and white photo of falling snow in a woodland setting by Ann L. Reed, was featured in the September/October issue of *Green Scene*.

"Pages From A Forest Log," an exhibit created by the Morris Arboretum of the University of Pennsylvania, illustrated for visitors the life-cycle of trees and tested their knowledge through a series of built-in quizzes.

A new approach to the Holiday Show involved a series of competitive room sections decorated by various clubs. Participating clubs were provided with walls, fireplace, door, tree and a small subsidy. First prize went to The Gardeners of The Brandywine for their whimsical dramatization of Santa snoozing under the tree. Other exhibitors included the Eighteenth Century Garden Volunteers, the Evergreen Garden Club and the Four Lanes End Garden Club.

An Exhibits Advisory Committee has been developed to provide input into the quality and variety of exhibits. The committee meets twice a year to

provide suggestions and to critique past exhibits. They welcome suggestions from other members.

Exhibits During the Year Included:

May - July

Photo Contest

August - September

Pages From A Forrest Log

September - October

Art Work of Rodrica Tilly

December

Holiday Show

January - February

Art Work of Michell Muldoon

February - April

Art Work of Nosta Glaser

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THE GARDENS AT PHS

Every Wednesday morning, April through October, our devoted group of garden volunteers pulled the tools from the barn and headed to the gardens to exercise their craft, pruning trees, shrubs and vines. The annual planting proved most enjoyable this year as the volunteers filled the parterres with blue salvia, bright yellow marigolds, pink begonias and flowering vinca. The warm days of summer had them weeding, watering and deadheading.

This past year we made some changes in our gardens at PHS. Thanks to a special gift from one of our members we were able to renovate the orchard and purchase nine flowering crabapples that were planted in early summer. We also planted a border of *Berberis thunbergii* 'Pygmy' around the parterres.

Ann McPhail, a knowledgeable horticulturist and member of PHS, has dedicated 20 years of service in the 18th century garden. Ann was one of the first volunteers to maintain the gardens and has seen it grow and change. To her we express our deepest thanks and appreciation for her work and continued support.

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Erica Glasener and George Harding seriously consider entries made by school children at the Junior Show.

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We are pleased to report another successful year for the Society in which our revenues exceeded expenditures. These are set forth in the statement of our Operating Fund on the following page.

The audit report for the year ended June 30, 1986, presented by the Society's auditors, Ernst & Whinney, was reviewed and accepted. Excerpts shown below are included in the complete report available for inspection at the Society's office.

In June, we entered into an agreement with Stratton Management, Inc. to handle the investments for our Operating and Endowment Funds, exclusive of the Shaffer Trust. During the year, the committee met periodically with representatives of the Mellon Bank and the Philadelphia National Bank, managers of the investment portfolios for the Elizabeth Shaffer Trust and the Society's Pension Plan respectively.

A transfer of \$300,000 from the Operating Fund to the Unrestricted Endowment Fund was recommended and accepted by Council in June, 1986.

STATEMENTS OF FUND BALANCES Years Ended June 30, 1986 and 1985

	Operating Fund		Endowment Fund		Total
	Undesignated	Designated	Unrestricted	Restricted	
Balance, June 30, 1984	\$552,471	\$100,000	\$1,383,901	\$50,818	\$2,087,190
Excess of operating fund revenue over expenses	348,876				348,876
Investment income – restricted				3,835	3,835
Gain on sale of investments			96,999		96,999
Life membership dues			3,000		3,000
Interfund transfers: Council authorized	<u>(300,000)</u>		<u>300,000</u>		<u>-0-</u>
Balance, June 30, 1985	601,347	100,000	1,783,900	54,653	2,539,900
Excess of operating fund revenue over expenses	380,083				380,083
Investment income – restricted				3,257	3,257
Gain on sale of investments			30,846		30,846
Life membership dues			5,000		5,000
Interfund transfers: Council authorized	<u>(300,000)</u>		<u>300,000</u>		<u>-0-</u>
Balance, June 30, 1986	<u>\$681,430</u>	<u>\$ 100,000</u>	<u>\$2,119,746</u>	<u>\$57,910</u>	<u>\$2,959,086</u>

STATEMENTS OF OPERATING FUND INCOME

	Year Ended June 30	
	1986	1985
Operating revenue:		
Membership dues	\$ 213,891	\$ 197,874
Designated contributions	48,039	46,616
Flower Show	1,761,225	1,582,061
Preview dinner	409,616	335,400
Fees and sales	33,793	40,900
Membership and other activities	112,418	114,077
Grant income	267,778	112,097
	<u>2,846,760</u>	<u>2,429,025</u>
Operating expenses:		
Salaries	370,939	334,549
Other employee expenses	100,315	82,084
Building maintenance and utilities	46,580	35,156
Depreciation and amortization	16,967	15,975
Administrative supplies and expense	91,671	86,668
	<u>626,472</u>	<u>554,432</u>
Less allocation of overhead to Flower Show	<u>(311,004)</u>	<u>(255,000)</u>
	315,468	299,432
Philadelphia Green, including salaries and other employee expenses	454,022	281,148
Other community service projects	24,075	37,676
Publications	159,586	151,026
Flower Show, including allocation of overhead	1,395,560	1,171,947
Preview Dinner	140,480	135,055
Library and educational programs	23,993	21,475
Membership and other activities	178,241	173,949
Special projects	32,781	9,933
	<u>2,724,206</u>	<u>2,281,641</u>
Income from Operations	<u>122,554</u>	<u>147,384</u>
Nonoperating revenue:		
Invested funds and savings accounts	195,390	158,818
Schaffer Trust	31,042	29,749
Undesignated contributions	31,097	12,925
	<u>257,529</u>	<u>201,492</u>
Excess of Revenue Over Expenses	<u>\$ 380,083</u>	<u>\$ 348,876</u>



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